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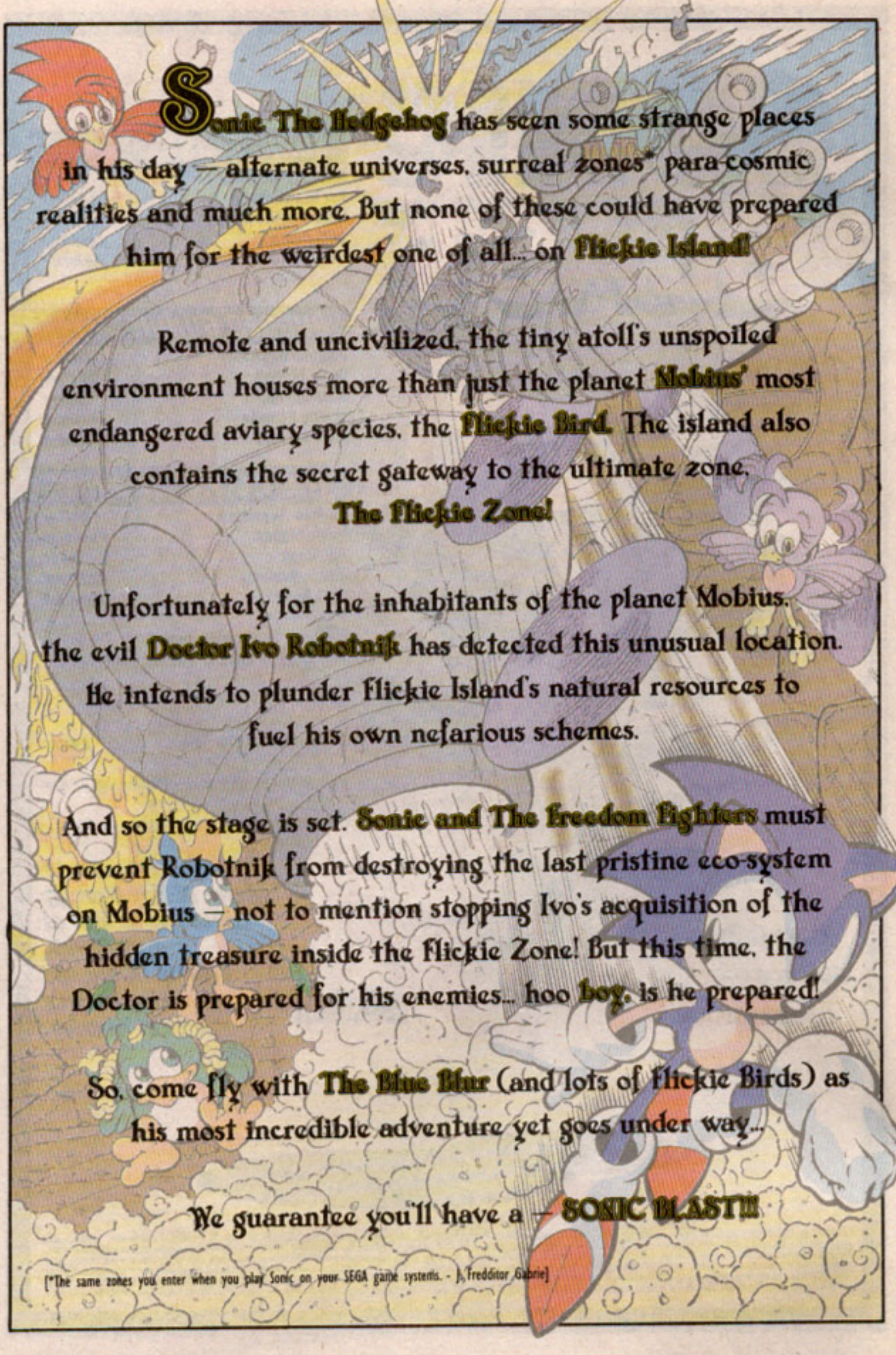
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Sonic the Hedgehog has seen some strange places in his day — alternate universes, surreal zones* para-cosmic realities and much more. But none of these could have prepared him for the weirdest one of all... on **Flickie Island!**

Remote and uncivilized, the tiny atoll's unspoiled environment houses more than just the planet **Mobius'** most endangered aviary species, the **Flickie Bird**. The island also contains the secret gateway to the ultimate zone,

The Flickie Zone!

Unfortunately for the inhabitants of the planet Mobius, the evil **Doctor Ivo Robotnik** has detected this unusual location. He intends to plunder Flickie Island's natural resources to fuel his own nefarious schemes.

And so the stage is set. **Sonic and The Freedom Fighters** must prevent Robotnik from destroying the last pristine eco-system on Mobius — not to mention stopping Ivo's acquisition of the hidden treasure inside the Flickie Zone! But this time, the Doctor is prepared for his enemies... hoo **boy**, is he prepared!

So, come fly with **The Blue Blur** (and lots of Flickie Birds) as his most incredible adventure yet goes under way...

We guarantee you'll have a — **SONIC BLAST!!!**

(*The same zones you enter when you play Sonic on your SEGA game systems. - J. Fredditor Gabriele)

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

AND HIS COMPATRIOTS MUST NEVER HEAR WHAT I AM ABOUT TO SAY, SNIVELY!

BUT OF COURSE, OH KEEPER OF THE CELLULITE!

I WANT YOU TO ENGAGE THE SUPER SECRET SCRAMBLER TO PREVENT THIS COMMUNIQUE FROM BEING INTERCEPTED! HAVE YOU TAKEN CARE OF THAT?

Oh, I've taken care of it all right, Doctor Robotnik!
~Snicker~

Harumph! Don't think I have forgotten my recent humiliation upon your return from the Death Egg, Ivo! *I was stuck to your butt for days!

SNIVELY!
~BZZT~ YOUR SIGNAL IS BREAKING UP!
~KFSSSH~

~Chuckle~ AND NOW YOU'RE ALL ALONE AND FAR, FAR AWAY WITH NO SWAT-BOTS TO PROTECT YOU! Heh-Heh! REVENGE WILL BE MINE AT LAST!

SNIV--
~VRAAAP~
~LEY!

*DID YOU MISS THE RECENT 3-PART EPISODE? CHECK OUT THIS ISSUE'S COUPONS FOR DETAILS!

AH, THAT'S BETTER! WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG!

JUST BRINGING YOU IN LOUD AND CLEAR!

SO YOU'LL BE HEARD BY YOUR ENEMIES--

"--THE KNOTHOLE FREEDOM FIGHTERS!"

ARE YOU WATCHING 'MOBILUS' MOST WANTED', ROTOR?

NO. OUR SATELLITE SCANNER IS INTERCEPTING ONE OF ROBOTNIK'S TRANSMISSIONS!

I'VE GOT A LOCK ON IVO'S LOCATION... AND HE'S ALL ALONE! I'LL CONTACT OUR LEADING MAN--

--SONIC THE HEDGEHOG! HE'S DOWN BY THE HARBOR--WHICH IS WHERE I WANT YOU TWO TO RENDEZ-VOUS, BECAUSE ROBOTNIK'S WAY OUT IN THE SOUTH MOBOCEAN!

HE SURE IS! WHAT WOULD OLD SLUBBER-BOLTS BE DOING IN SUCH A REMOTE LOCALE?

YOU LAUNCH YOUR BATHYSPHERE AND I'LL MEET YOU IN THE SEA FOX!

SOON:

THERE YOU ARE, SONIC!

IS ANYTHING WRONG? YOU LOOK UPSET!

Sigh: WELL, IF YOU MUST KNOW...

I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA --AND THE CONFLICTING STORIES YOU'VE TOLD ME ABOUT YOUR PAST LIFE WITH HIM...*

OH, PUH-LEEEZE!

IF I HELD BACK OR BENT THE TRUTH A LITTLE, YOU KNOW I ONLY DID IT TO PROTECT EVERYONE ON THIS PLANET! THAT'S MY JOB AS PRINCESS!

*SALLY'S MEMORIES CHANGED BETWEEN TRIPLE TROUBLE AND MECHA MADNESS SPECIALS - "Gobby" Gabriele

Hmf!

AND YOU SHOULD ALSO KNOW THAT THE MAN I'M CURRENTLY INTERESTED IN HAS A BACK FULL OF BLUE BRISTLES...

SNORT

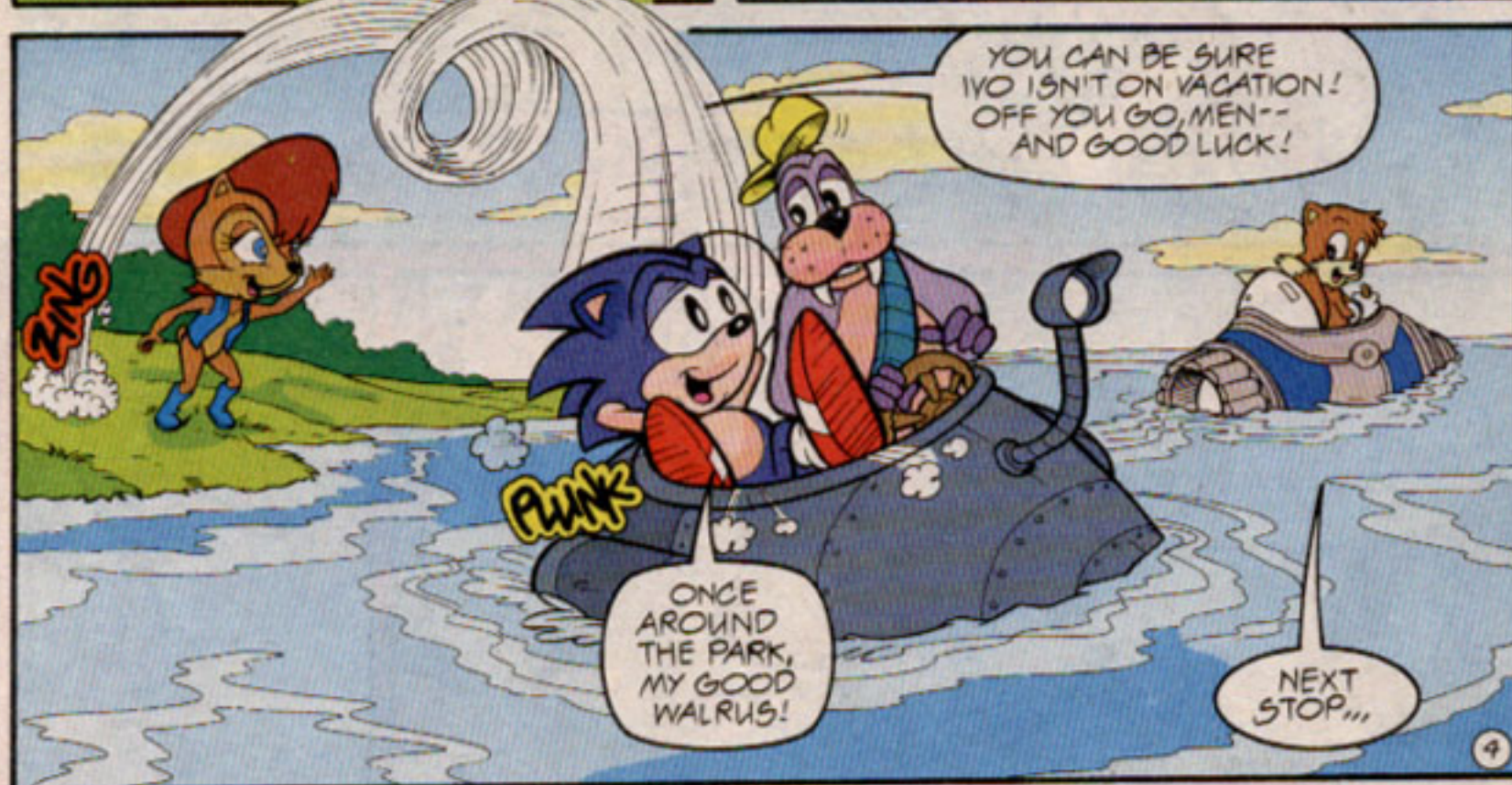
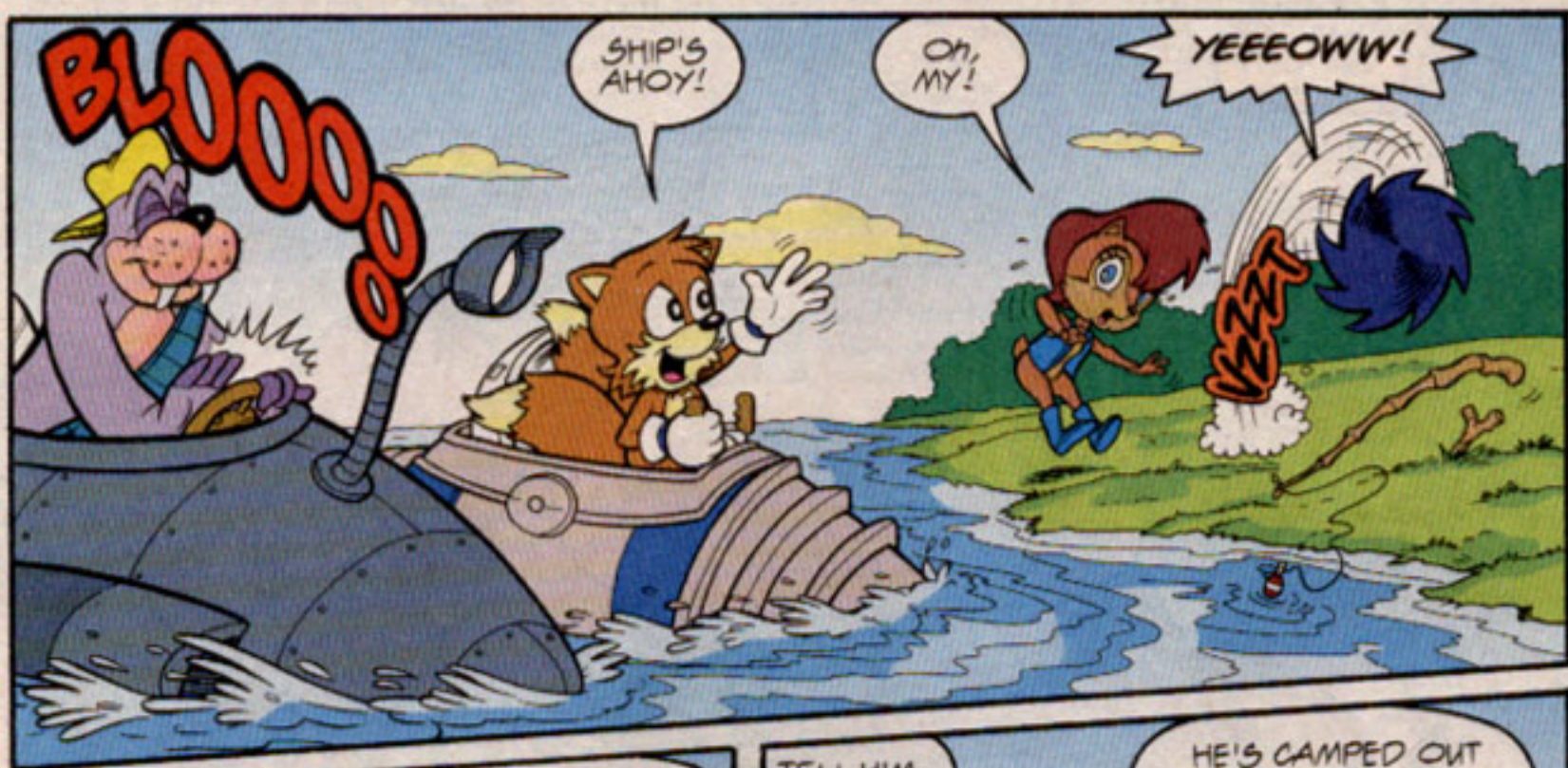
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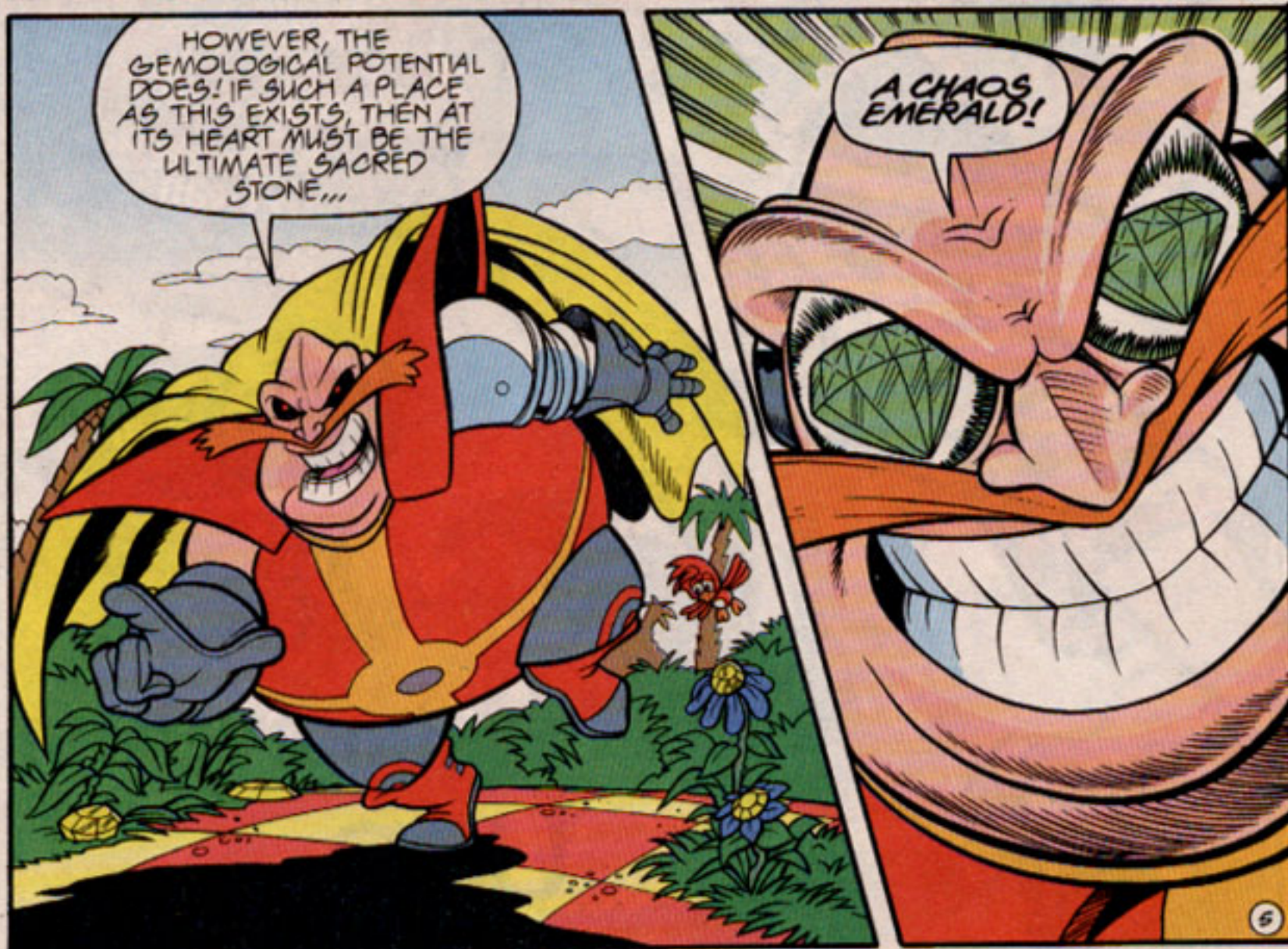
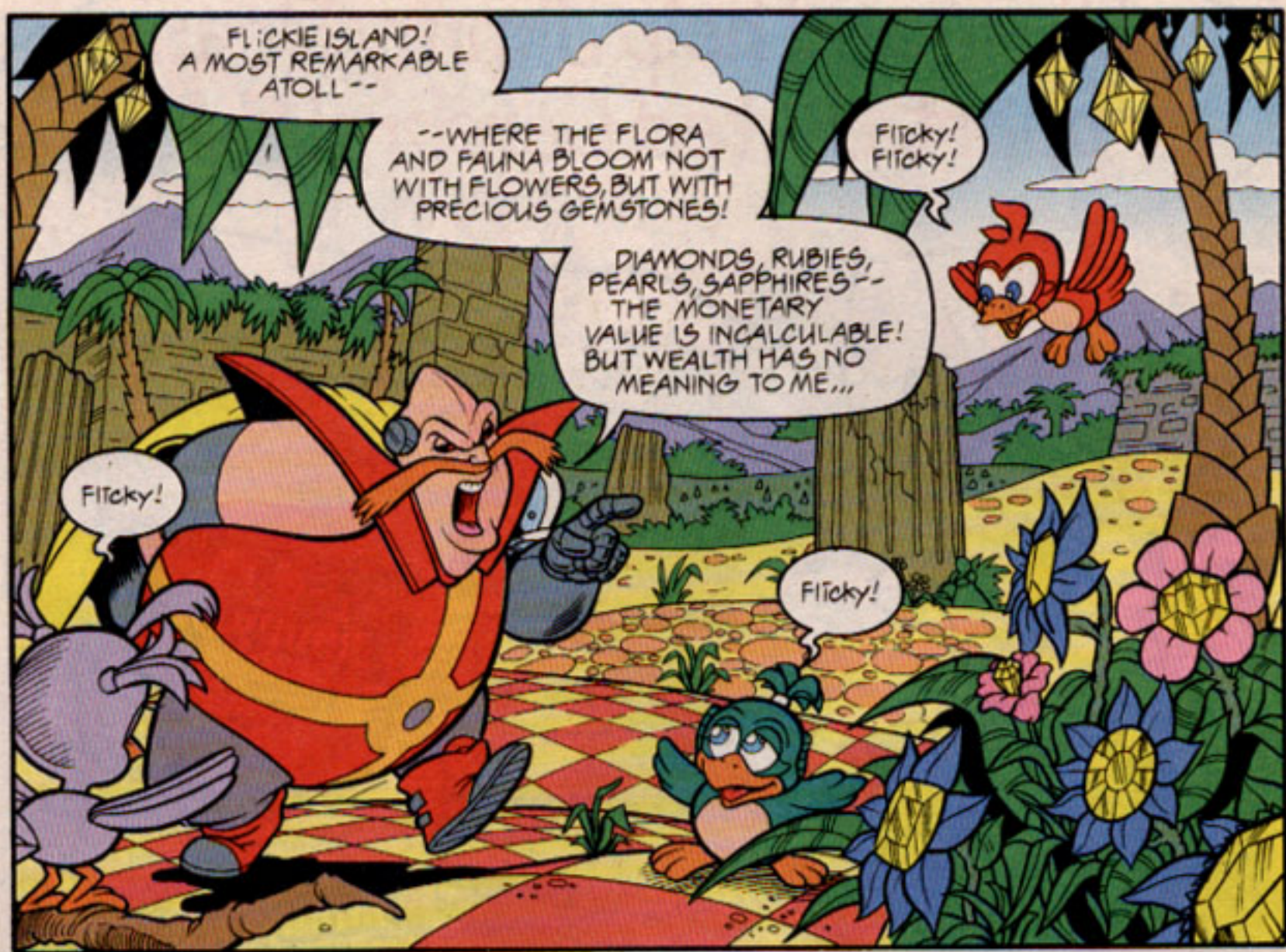
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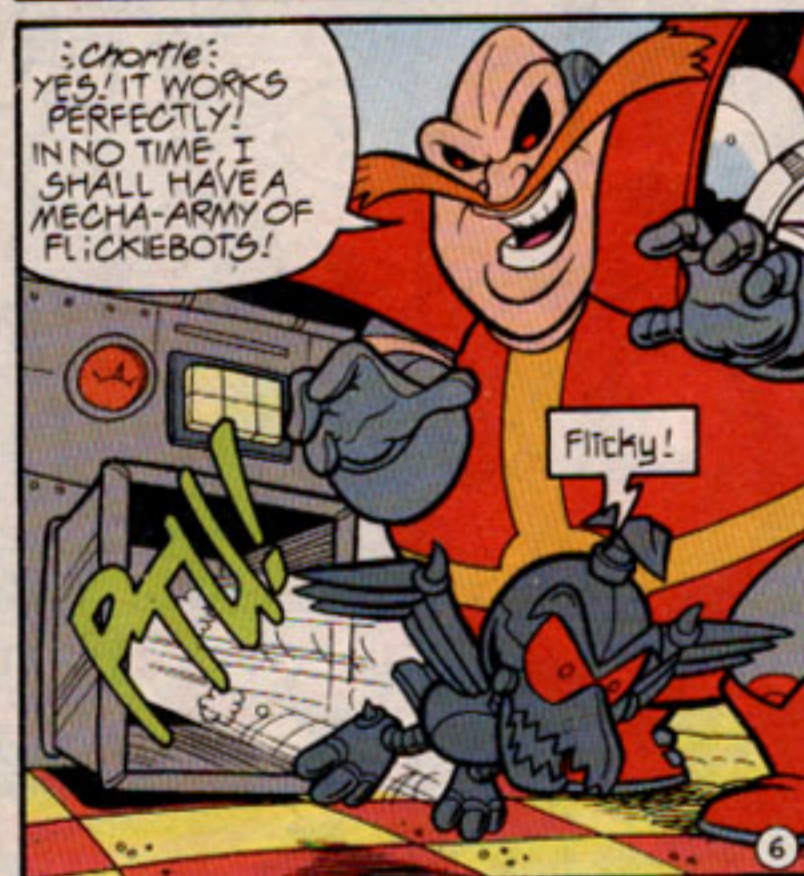
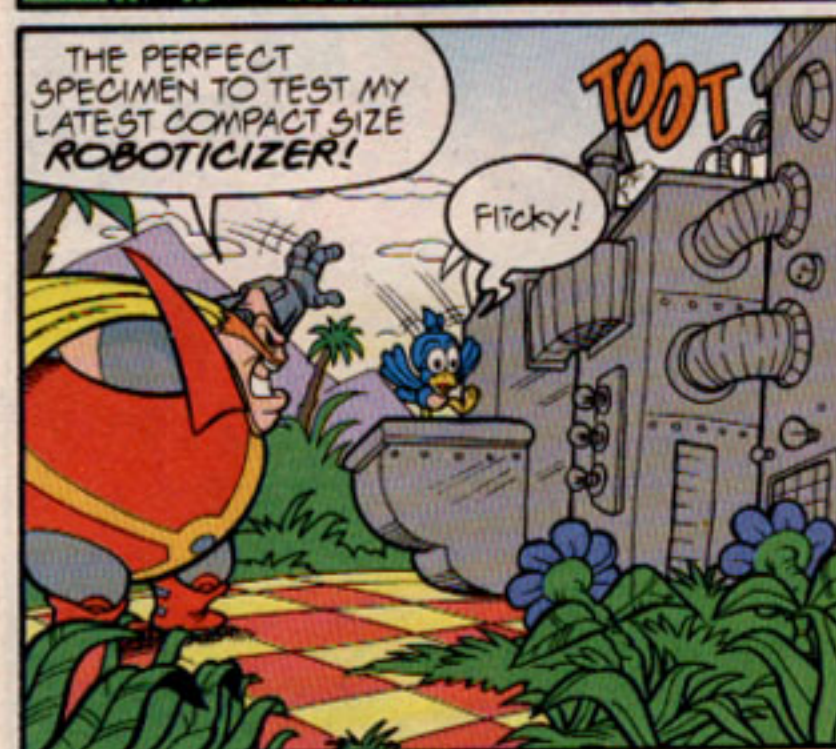
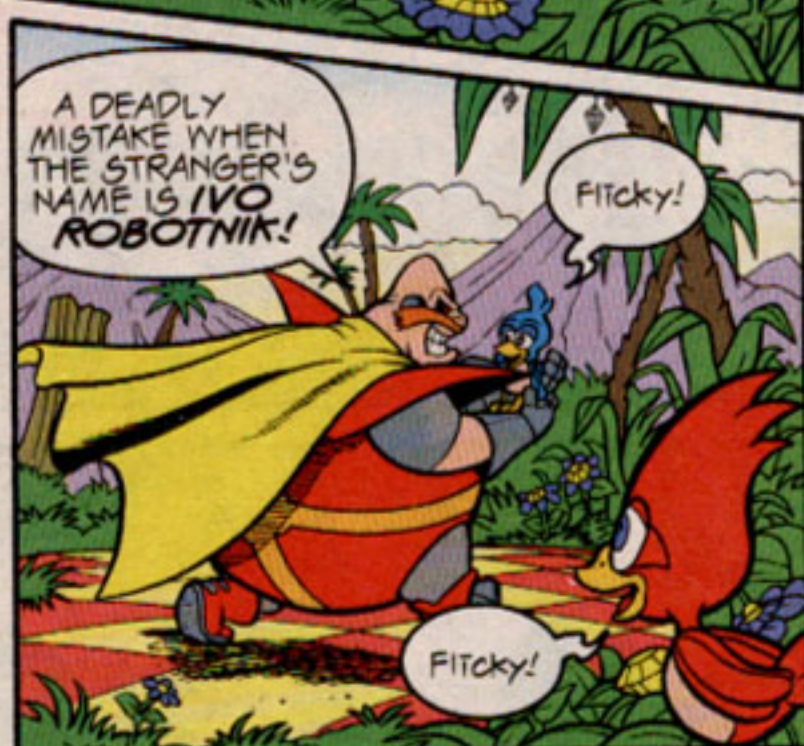
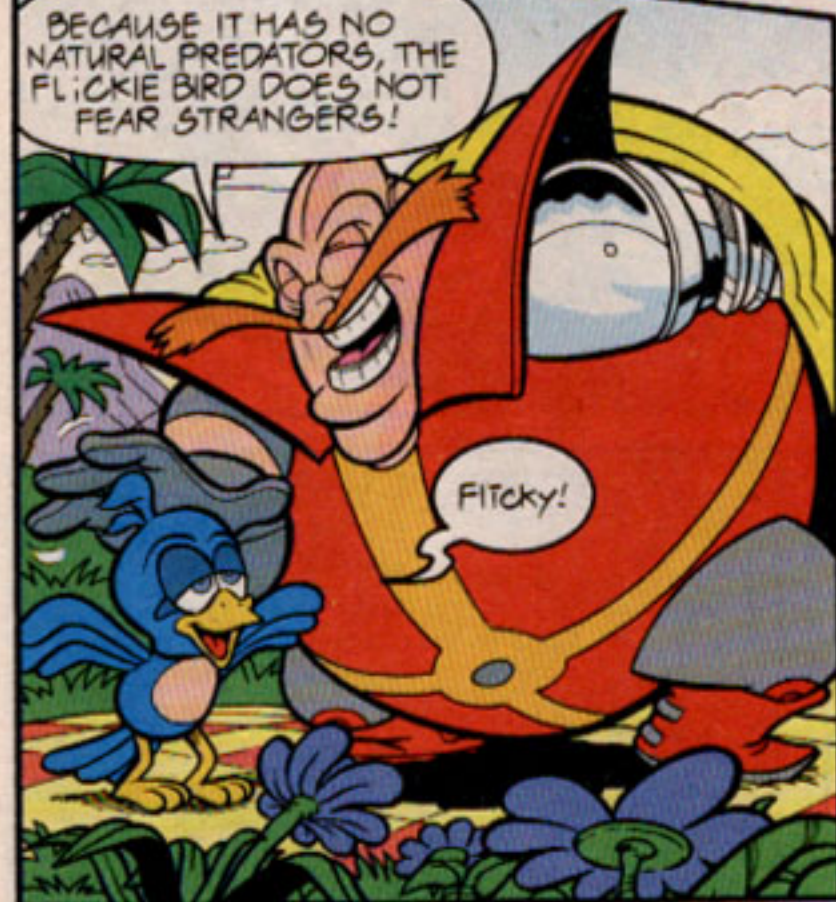
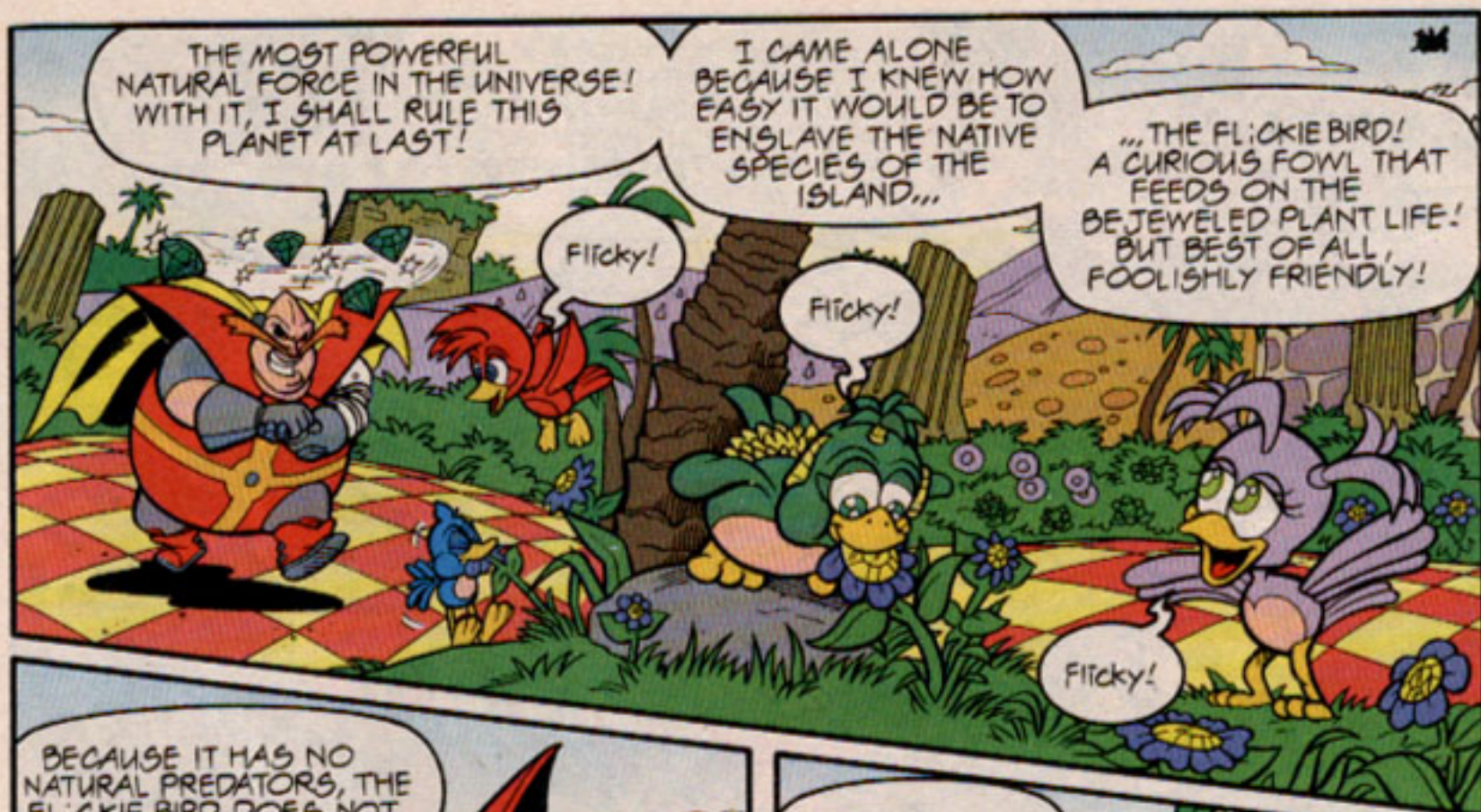
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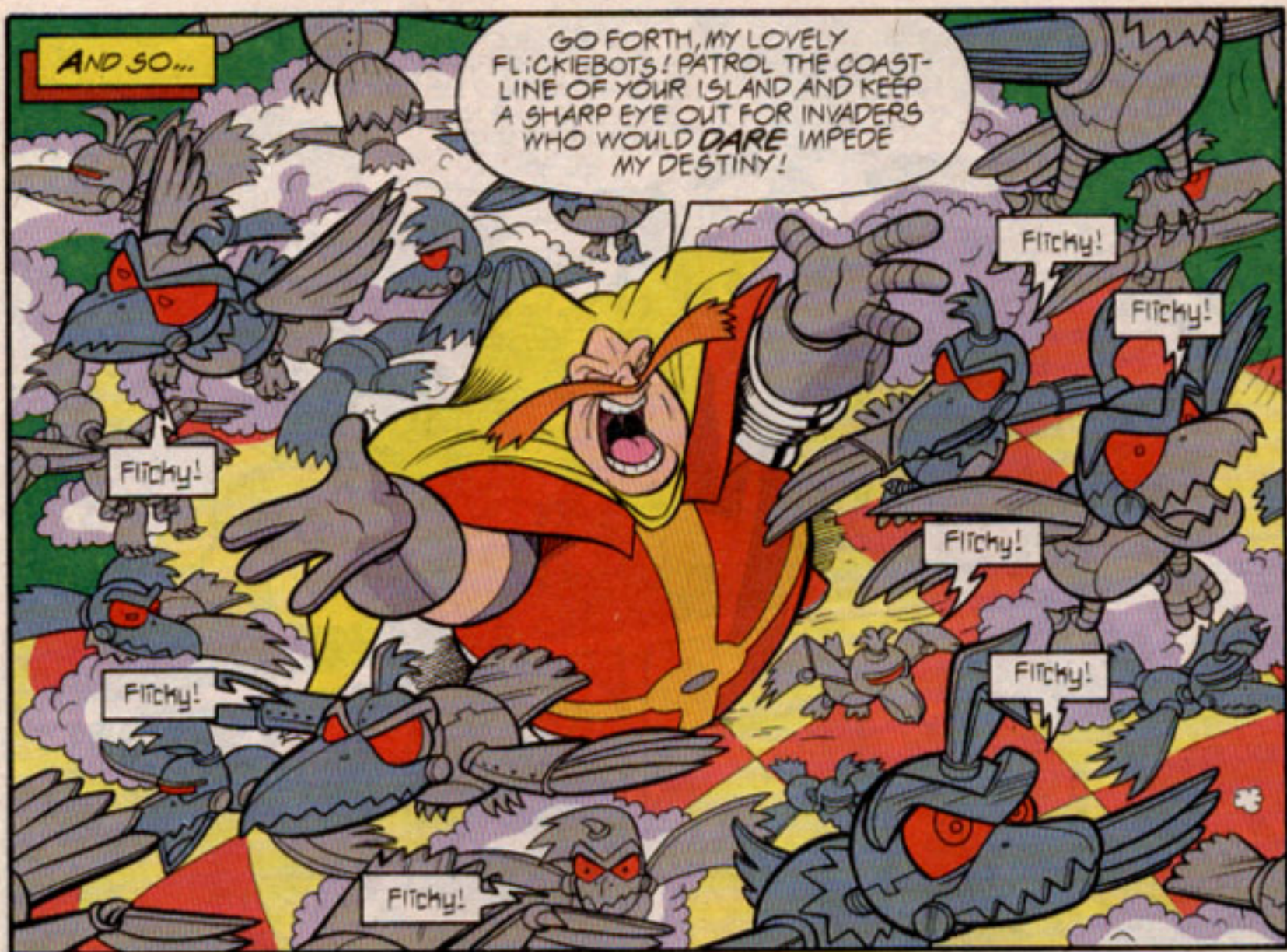
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PART I









SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

HERE... WE'RE APPROACHING
FLICKIE ISLAND!

COME IN, TAILS!
DO YOU SEE THAT SWARM
HEADING OUR WAY FROM
THE LAND MASS!

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PART 2

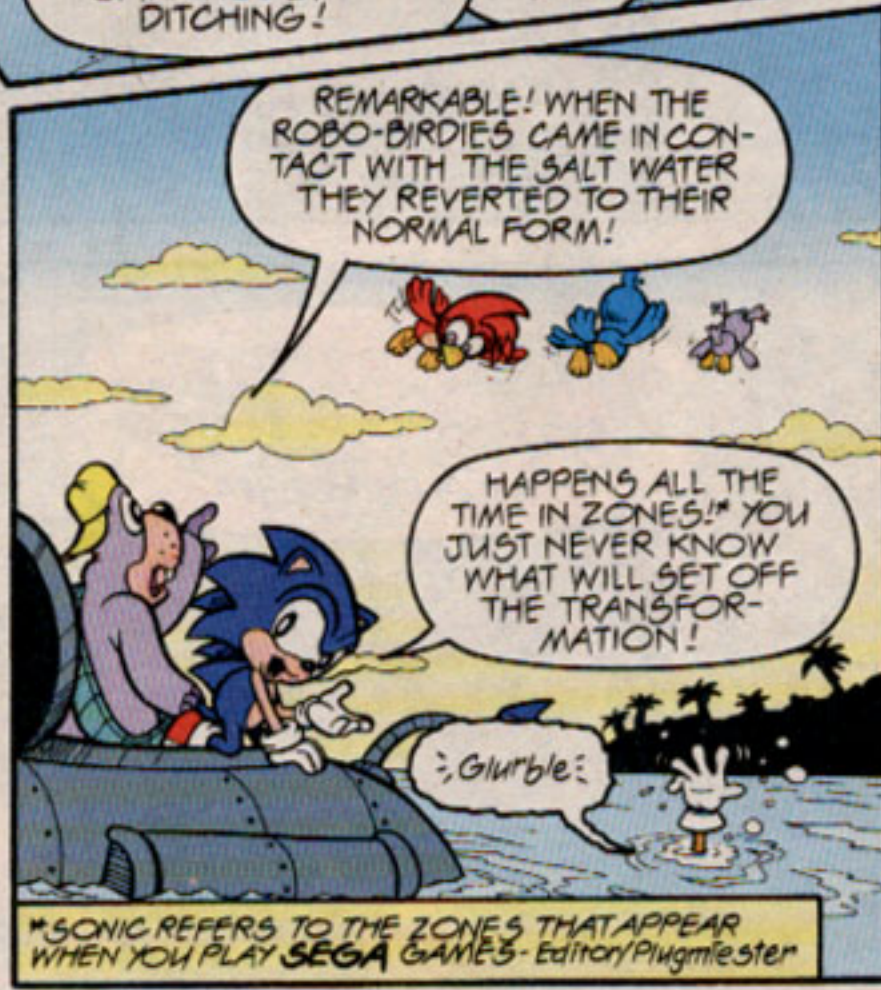
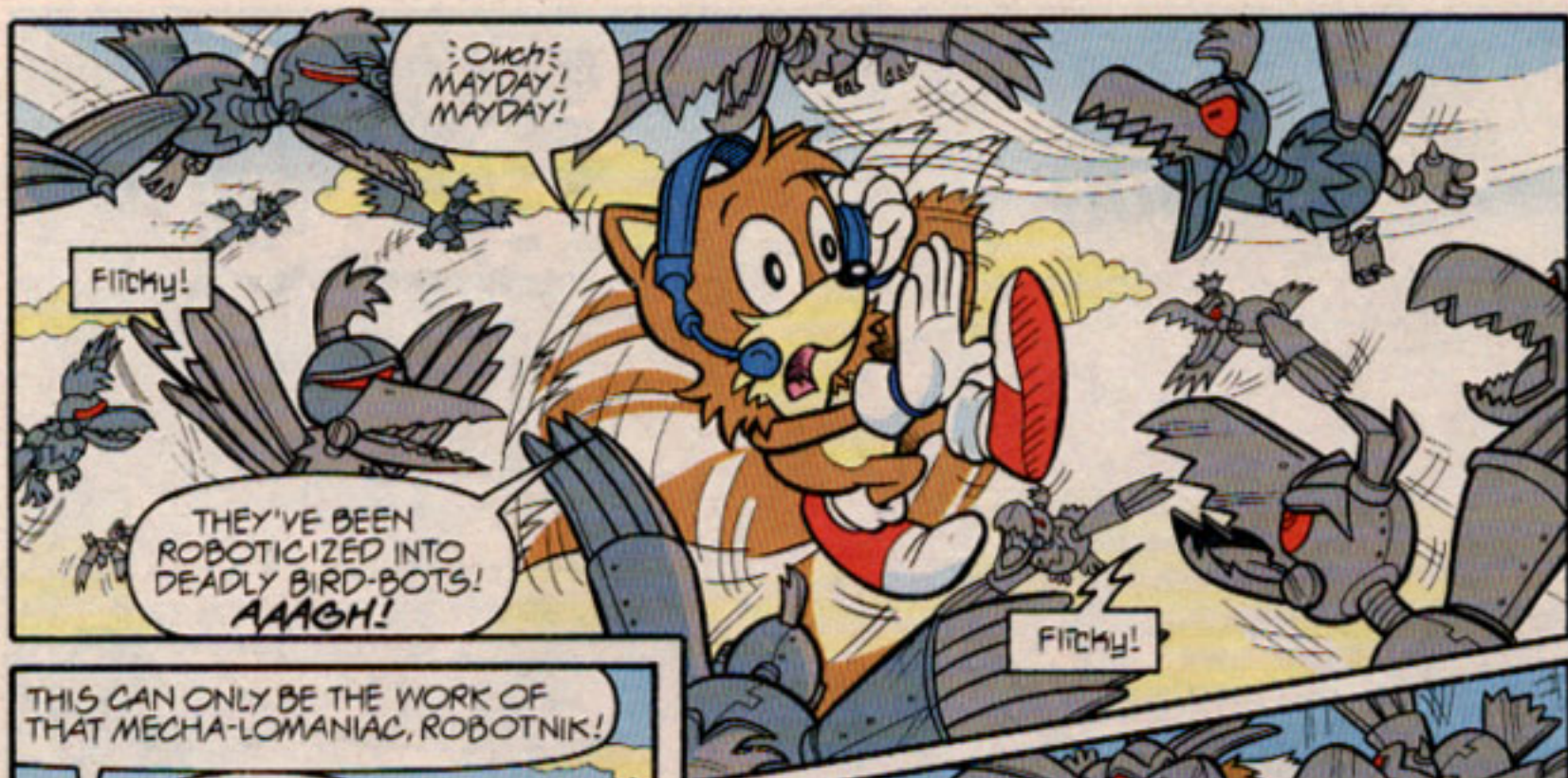
AFFIRMATIVE!
I'LL INVESTIGATE!
SWITCHING TO
HEADSET!

BE
CAREFUL
LITTLE
BUDDY!

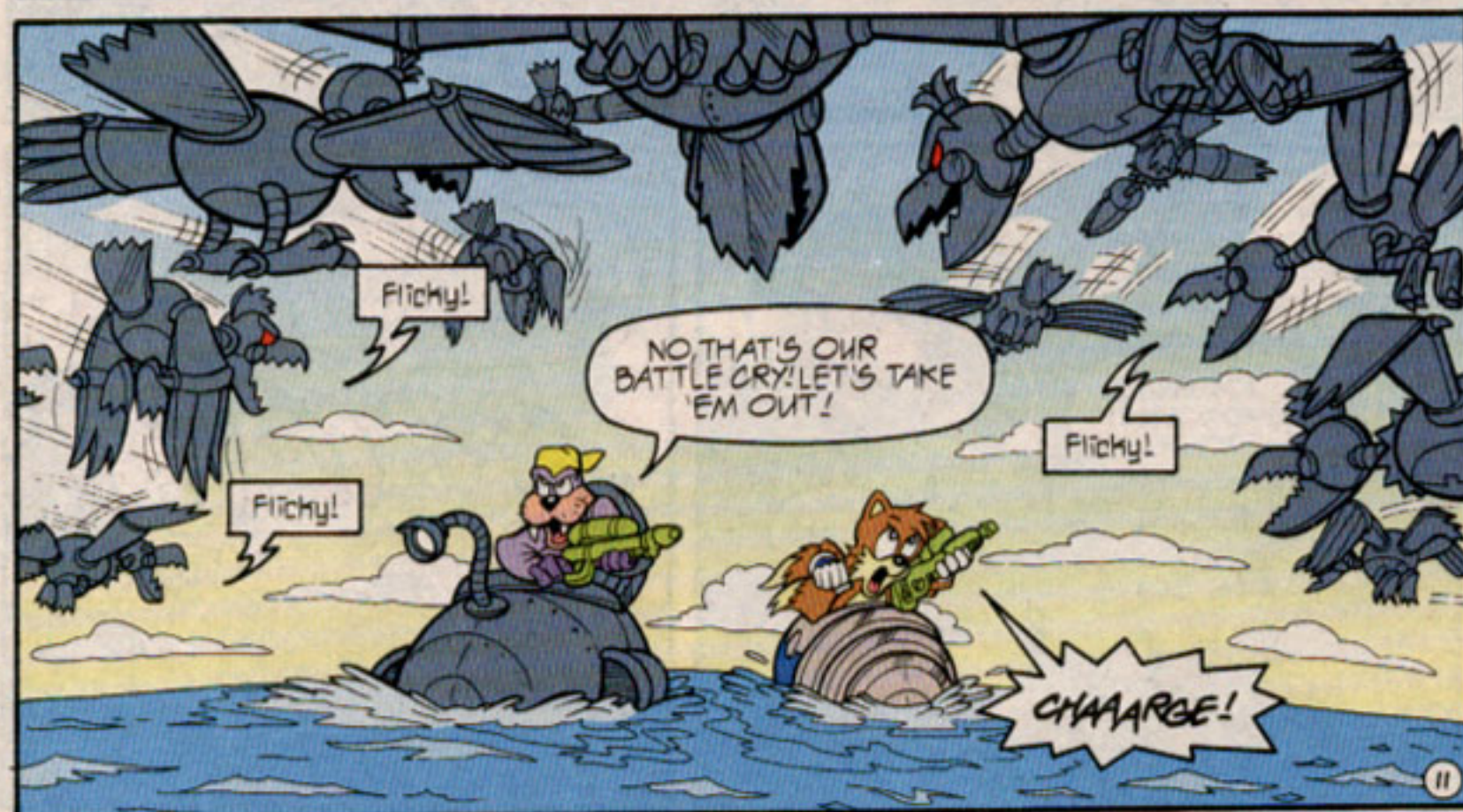
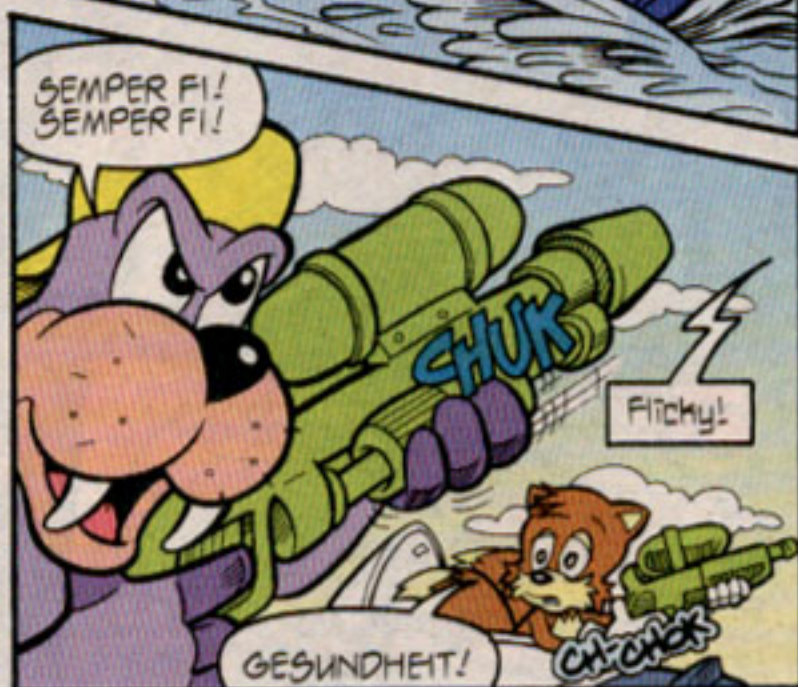
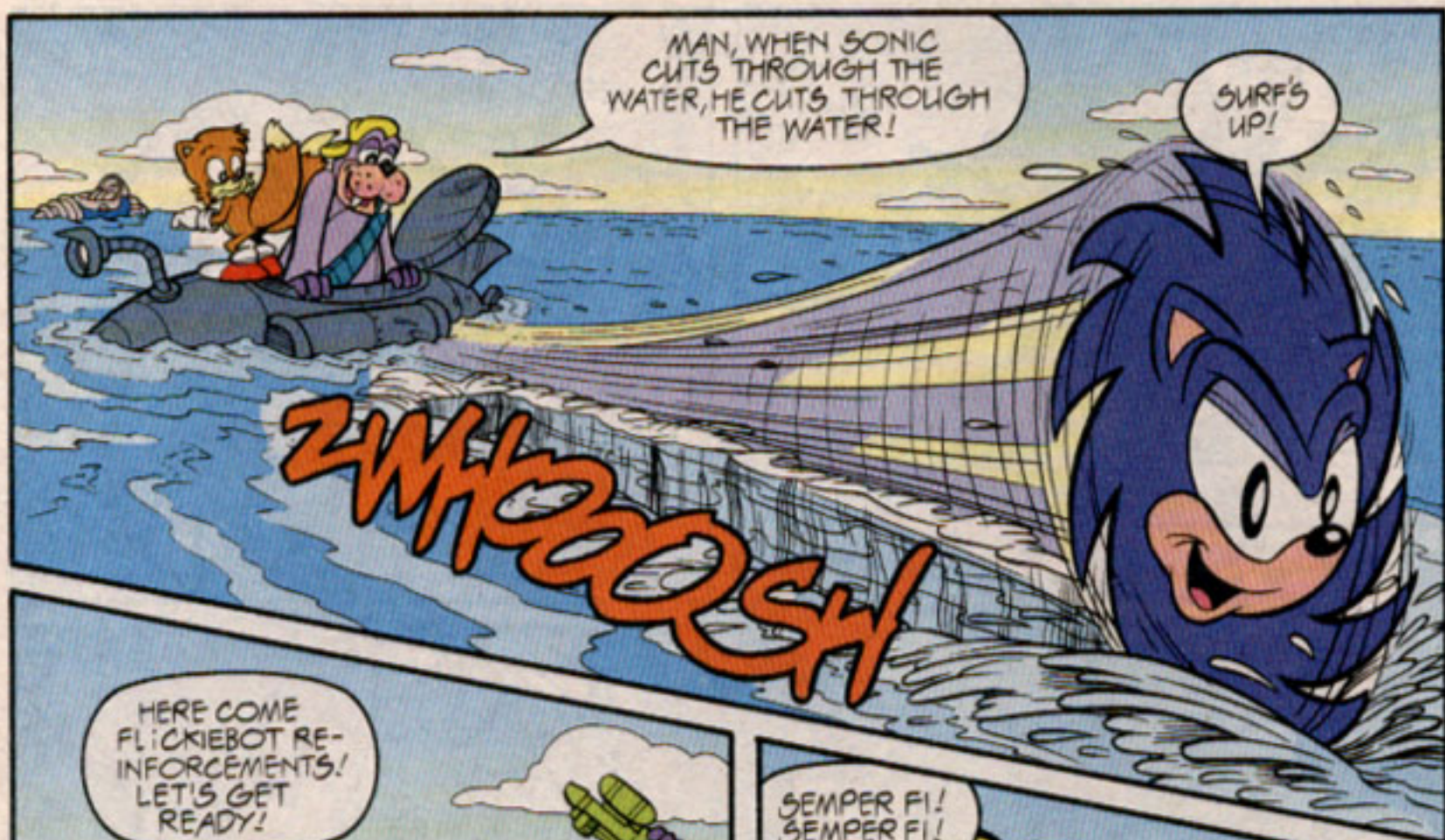
CHILL, ROTOR! I'VE PROVED
MY MATURITY IN DOWNUNDA BY
TAKING ON A HORDE OF CROCK-
BOT'S MECHA-MUTTS, THE
WING DINGOES!*

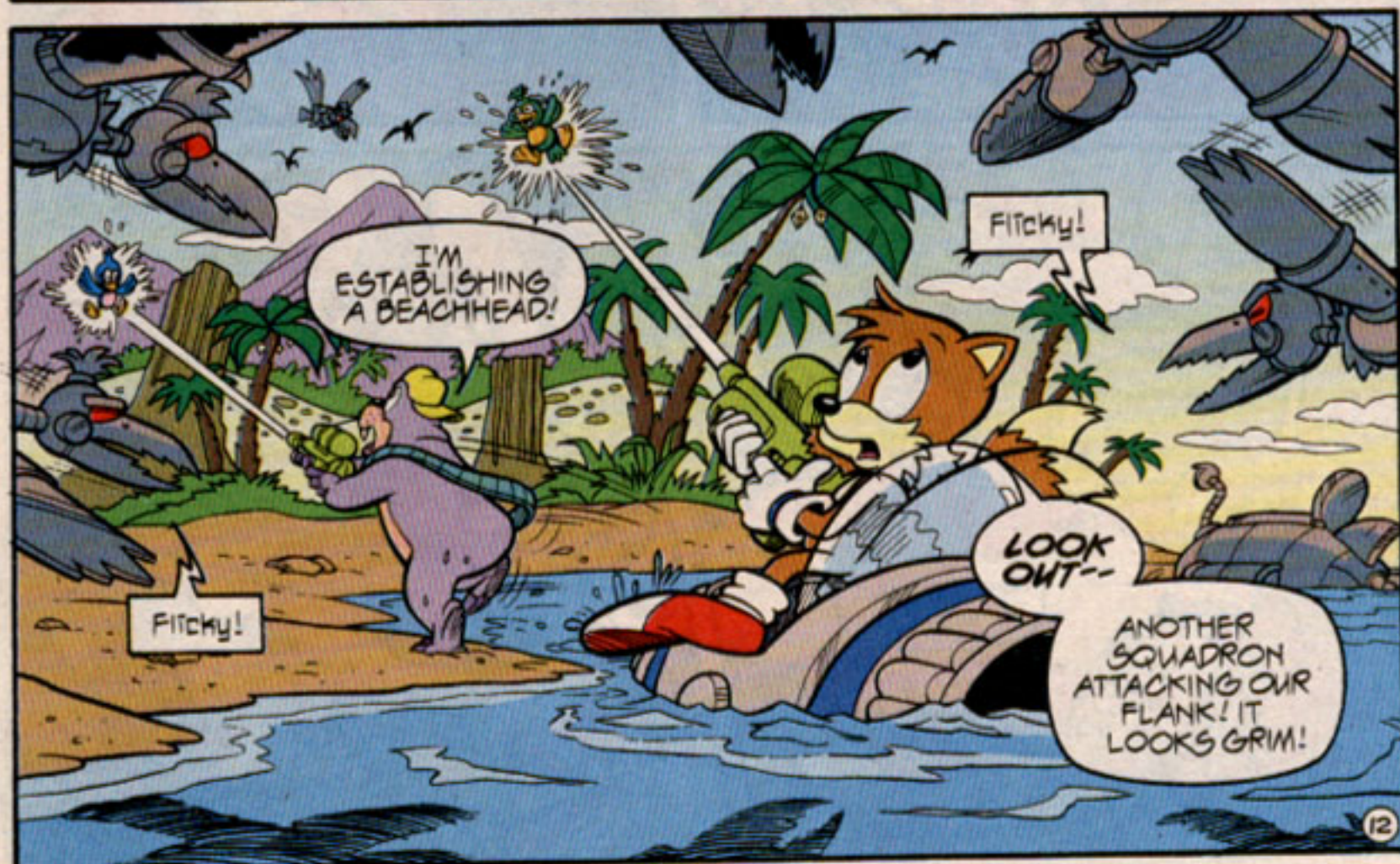
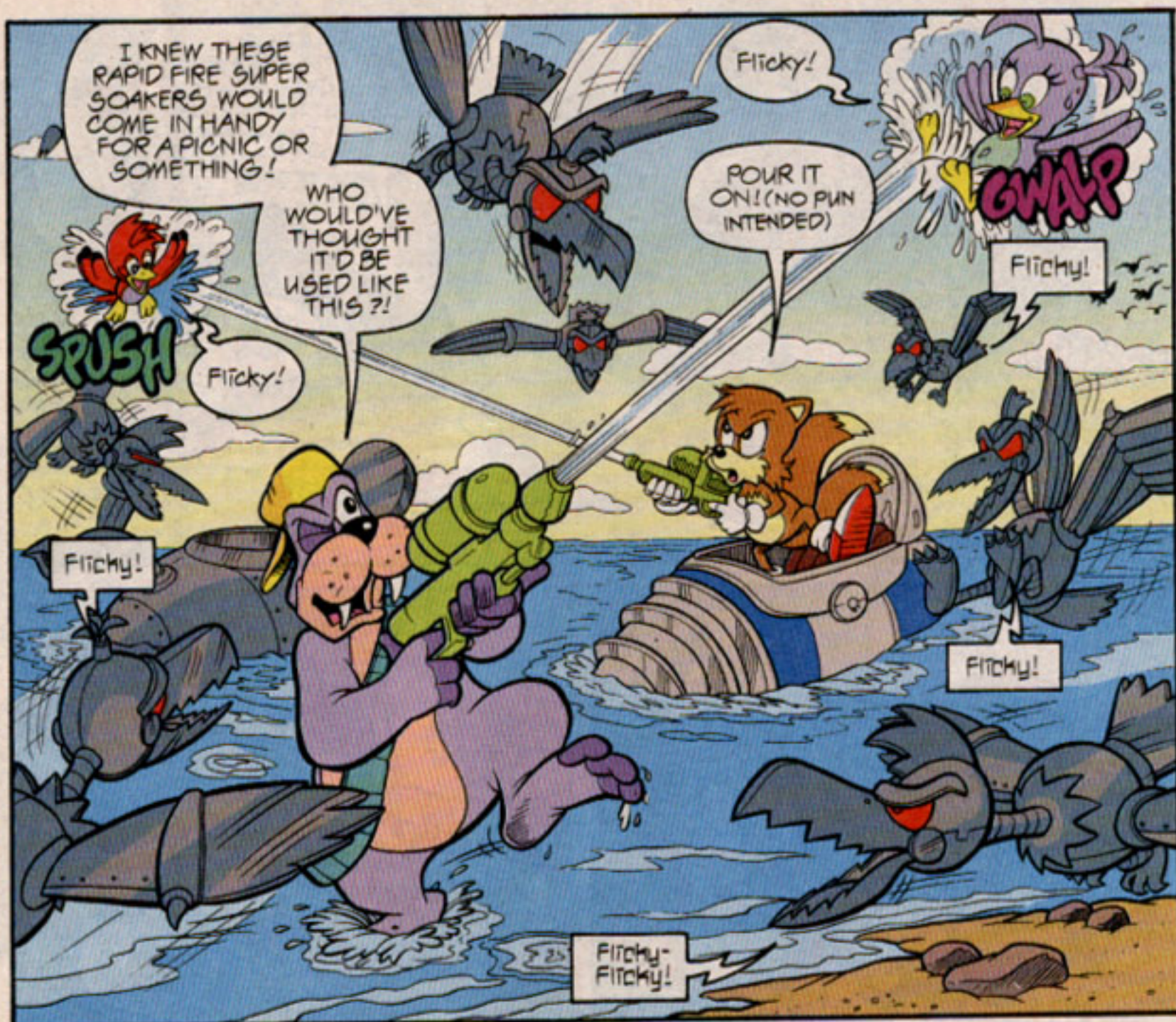
I'LL RECON AND
REPORT AT FOUR HUNDRED
FEET, BUT IT JUST LOOKS
LIKE A FLOCK OF THE
RARE FLICKIE BIRD--

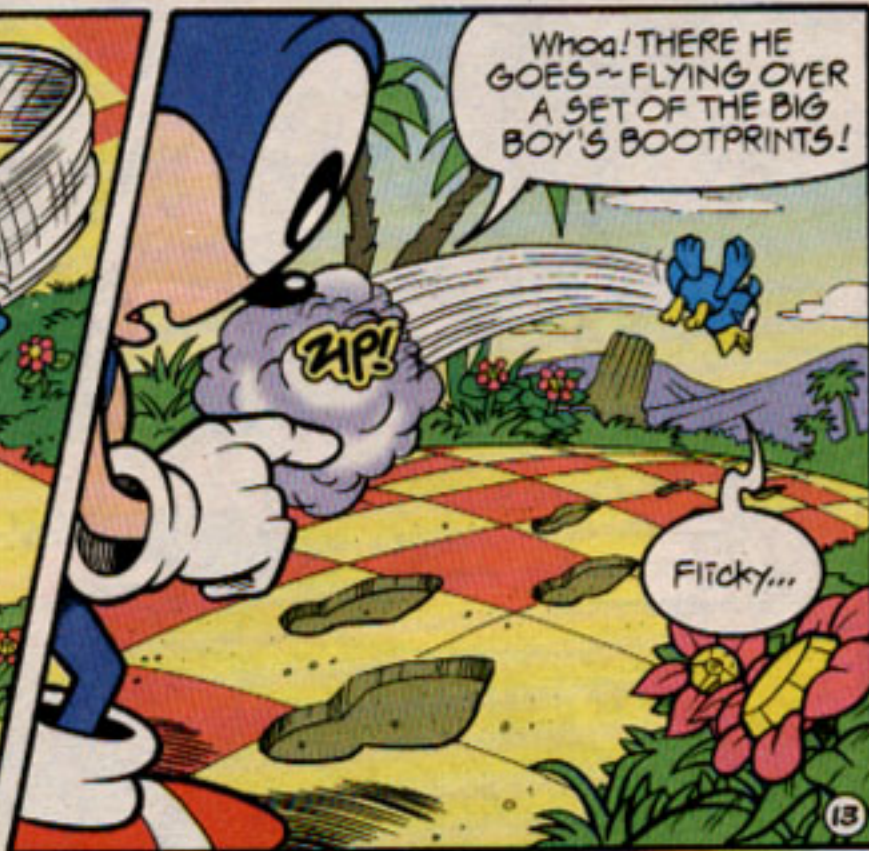
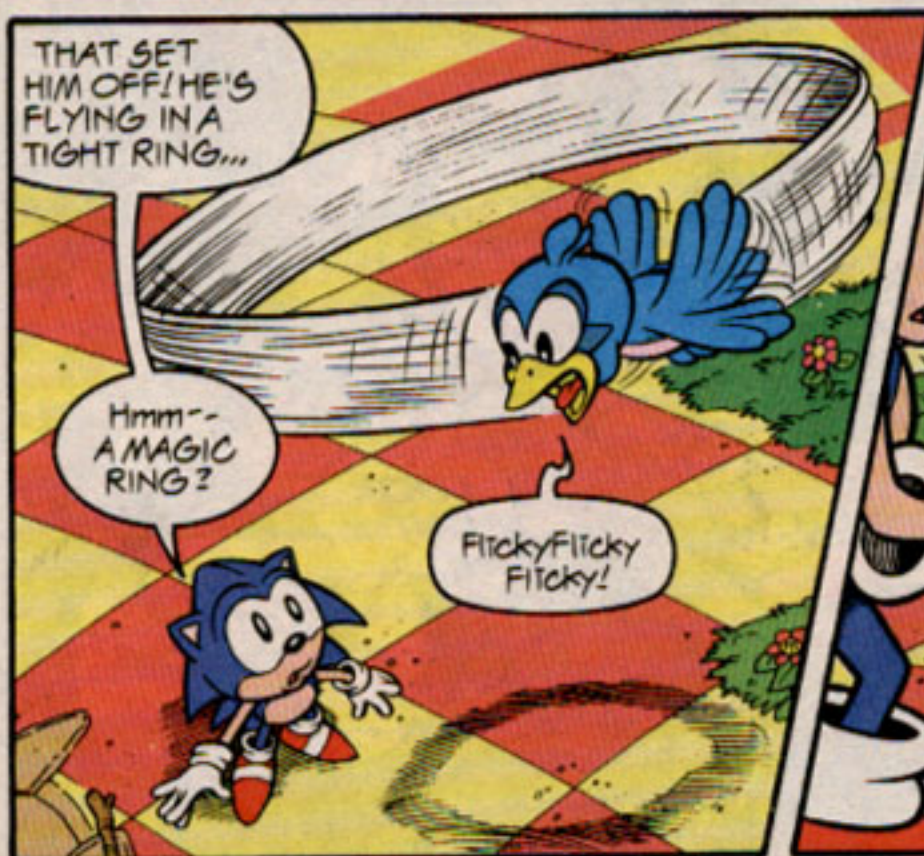
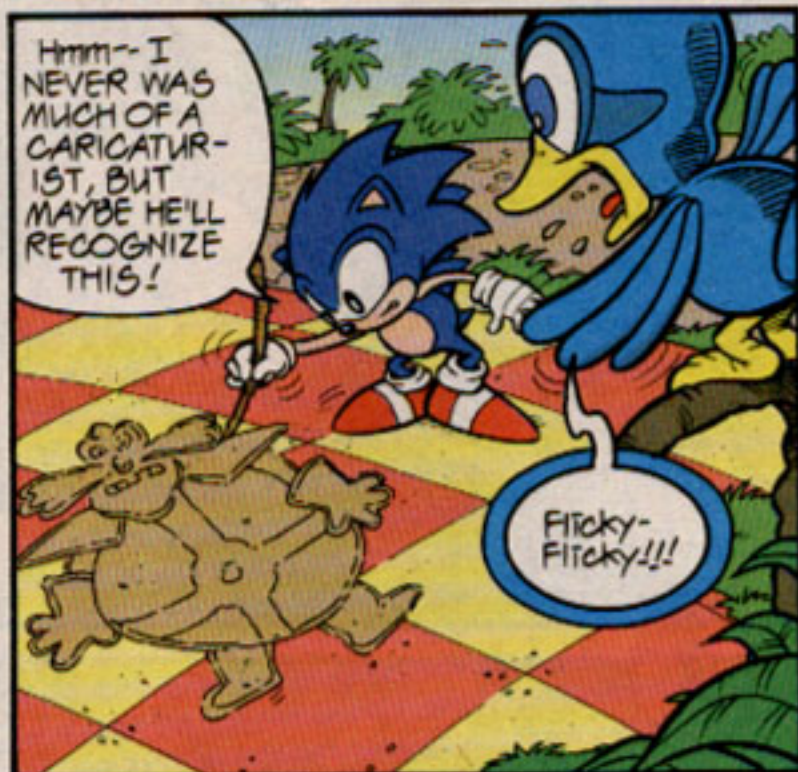
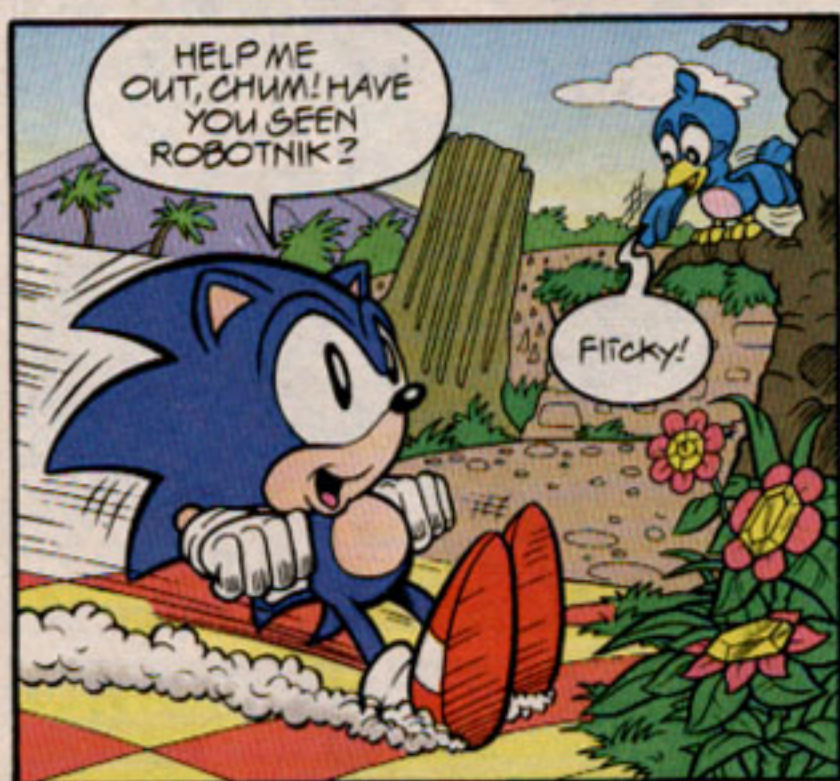
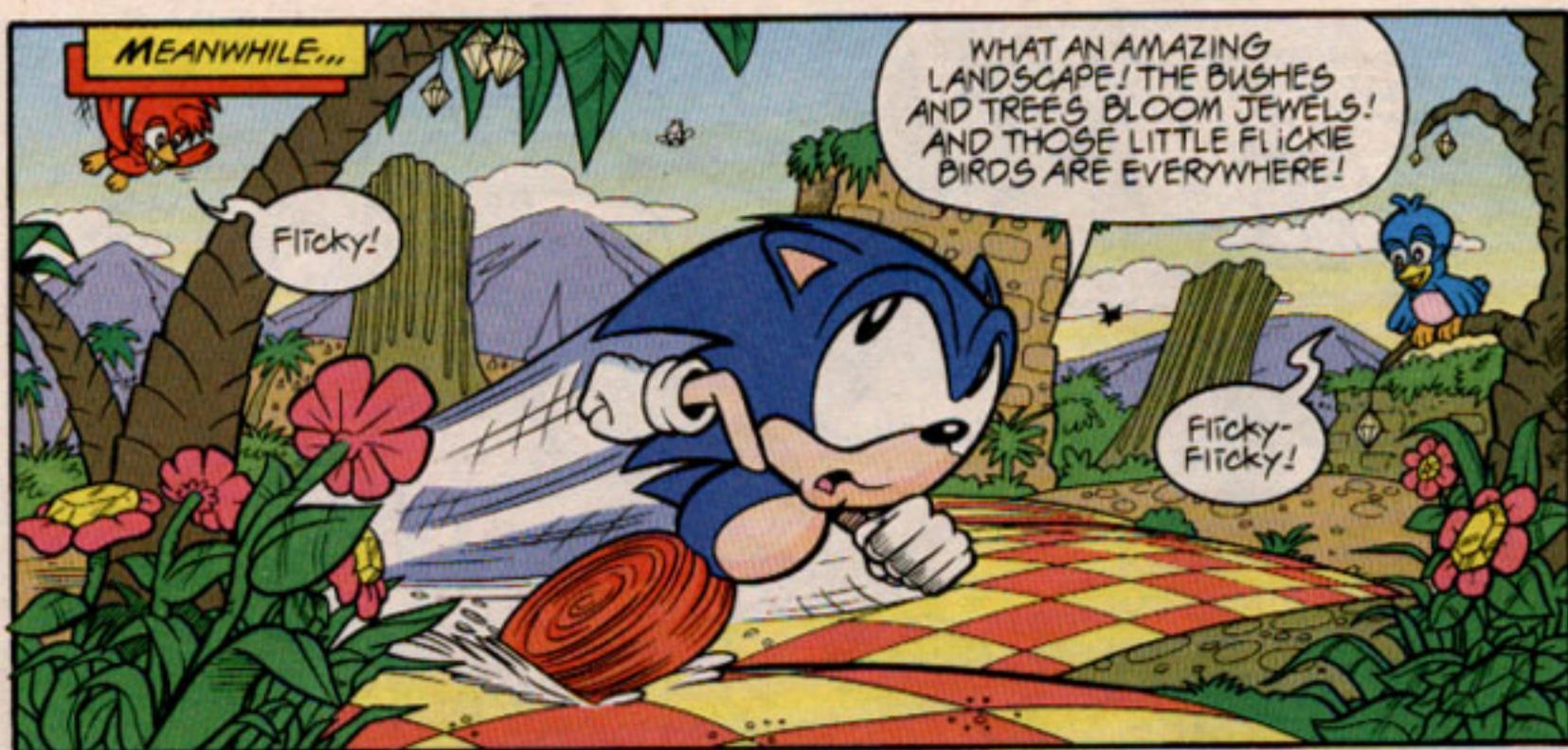
*YOU SAW IT HAPPEN IN THE 3-ISSUE TAILS MINISERIES. - Jaygee

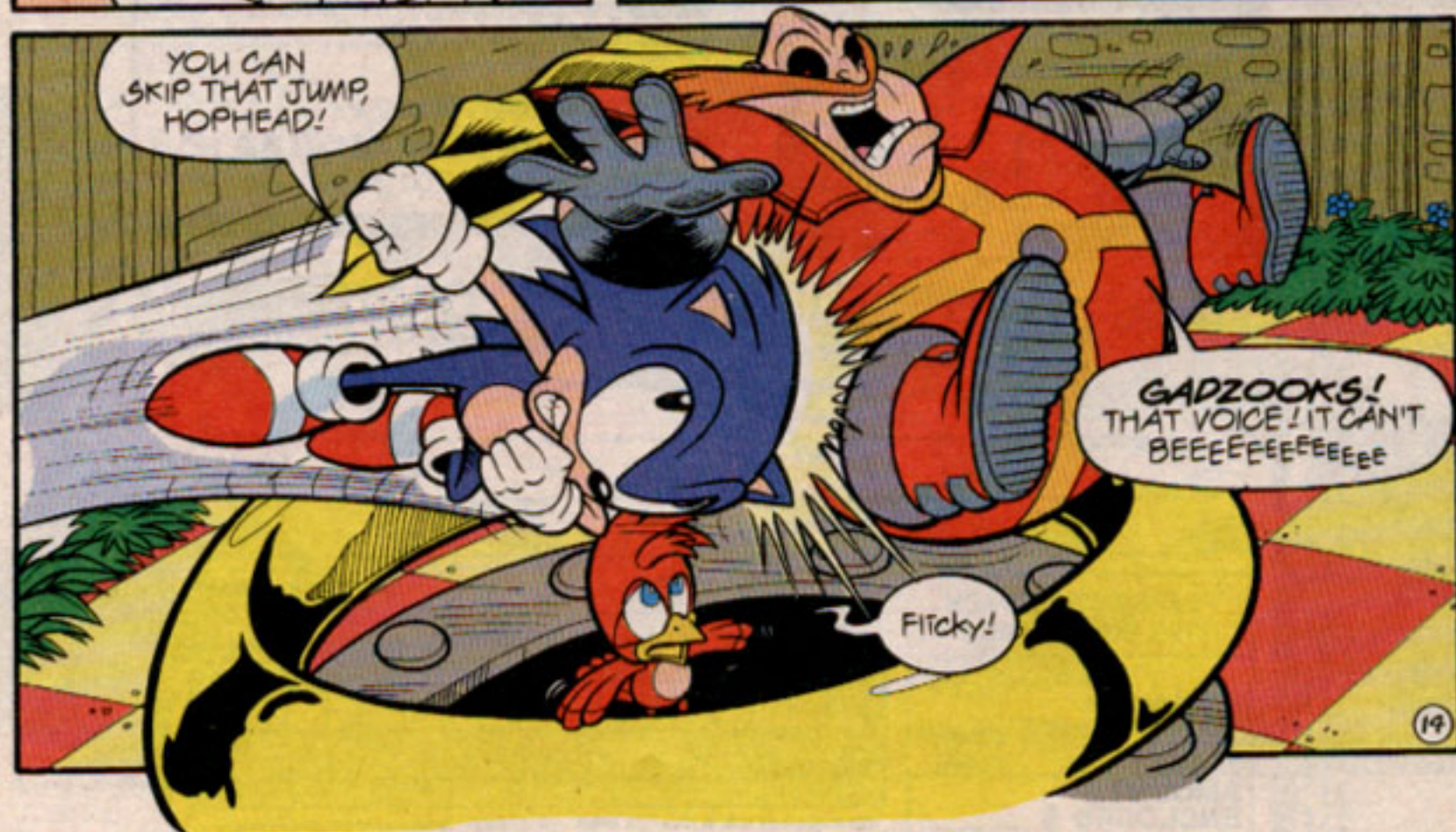
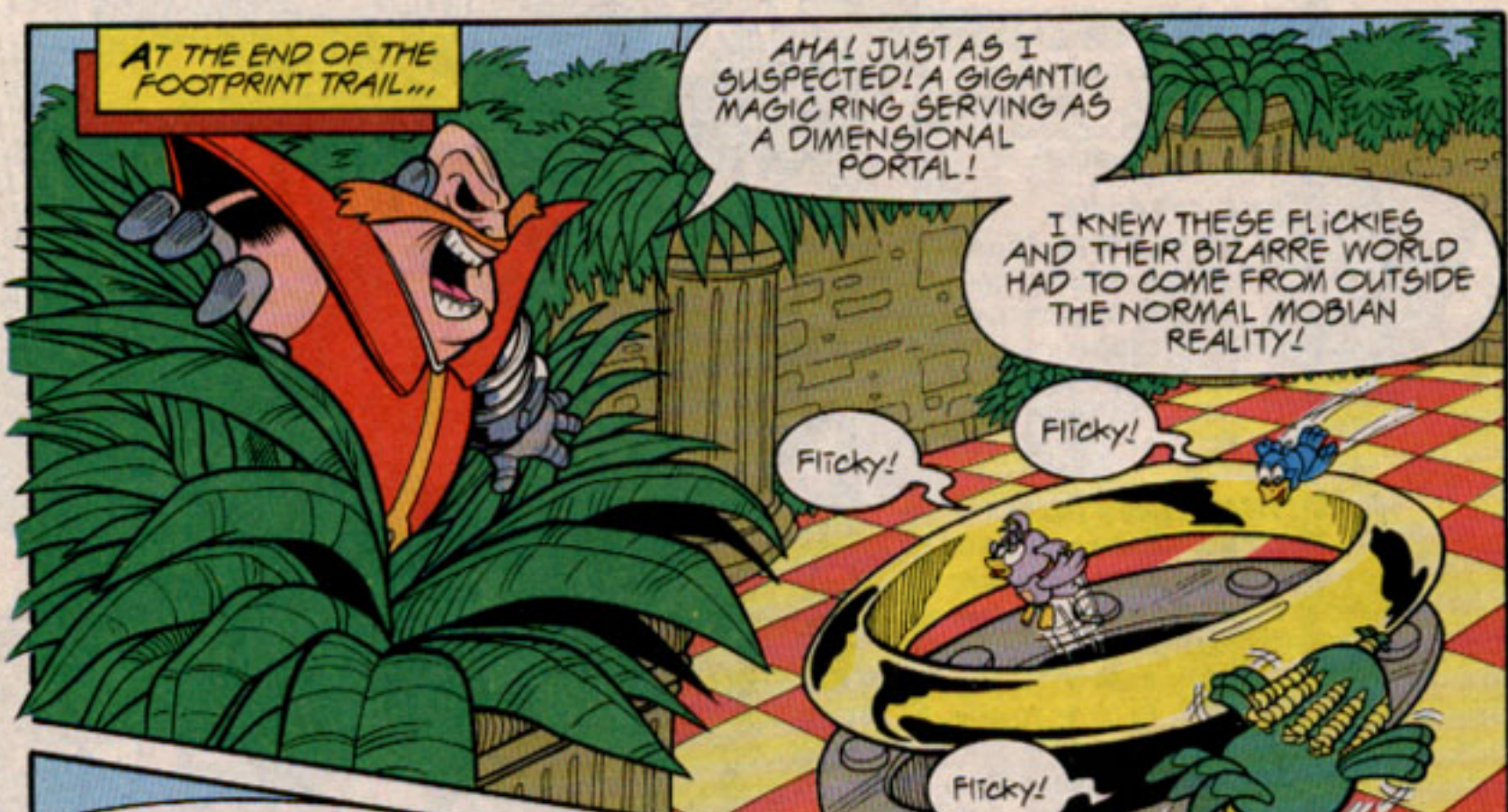


*SONIC REFERS TO THE ZONES THAT APPEAR WHEN YOU PLAY SEGA GAMES- Editor/Plugmeister









SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

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PART 3

YOU'VE INTERFERED WITH
MY PLANS FOR THE LAST TIME!
NOW OUR FINAL CONFRONTATION
BEGINS!

Flicky!

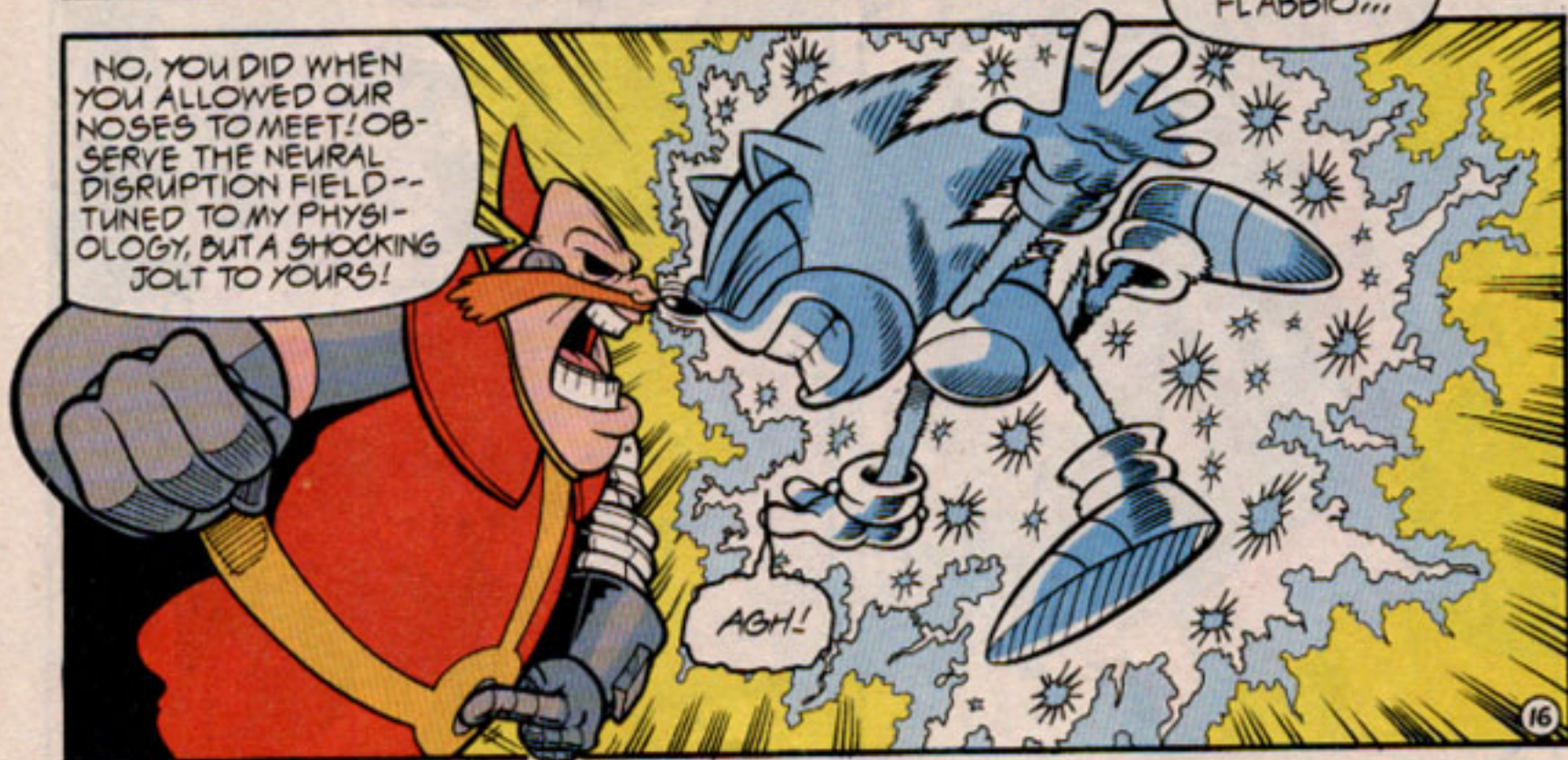
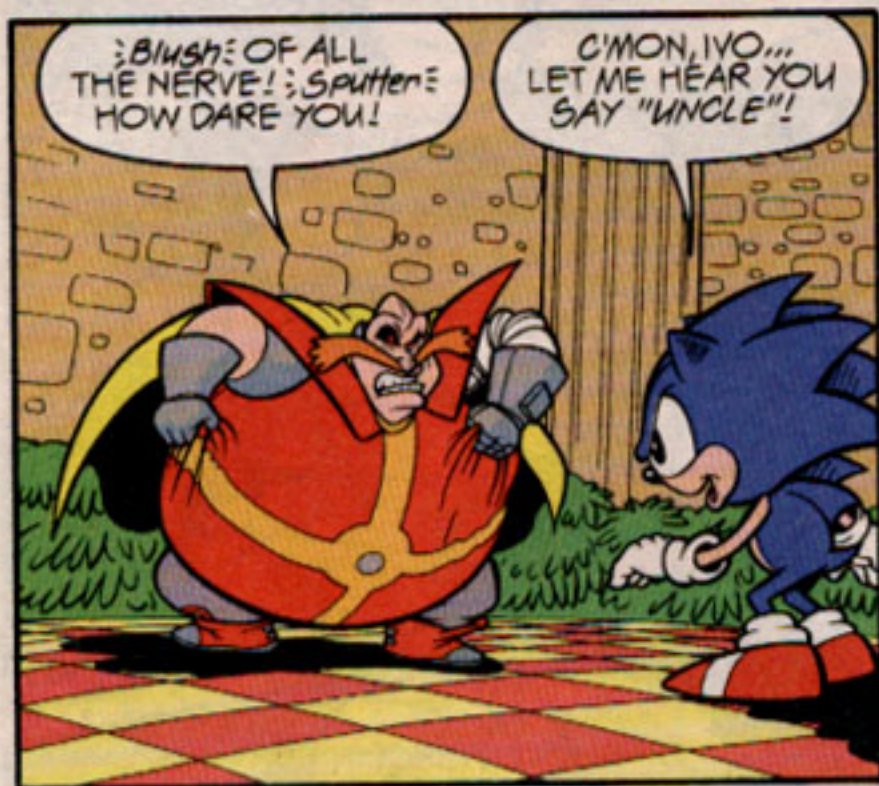
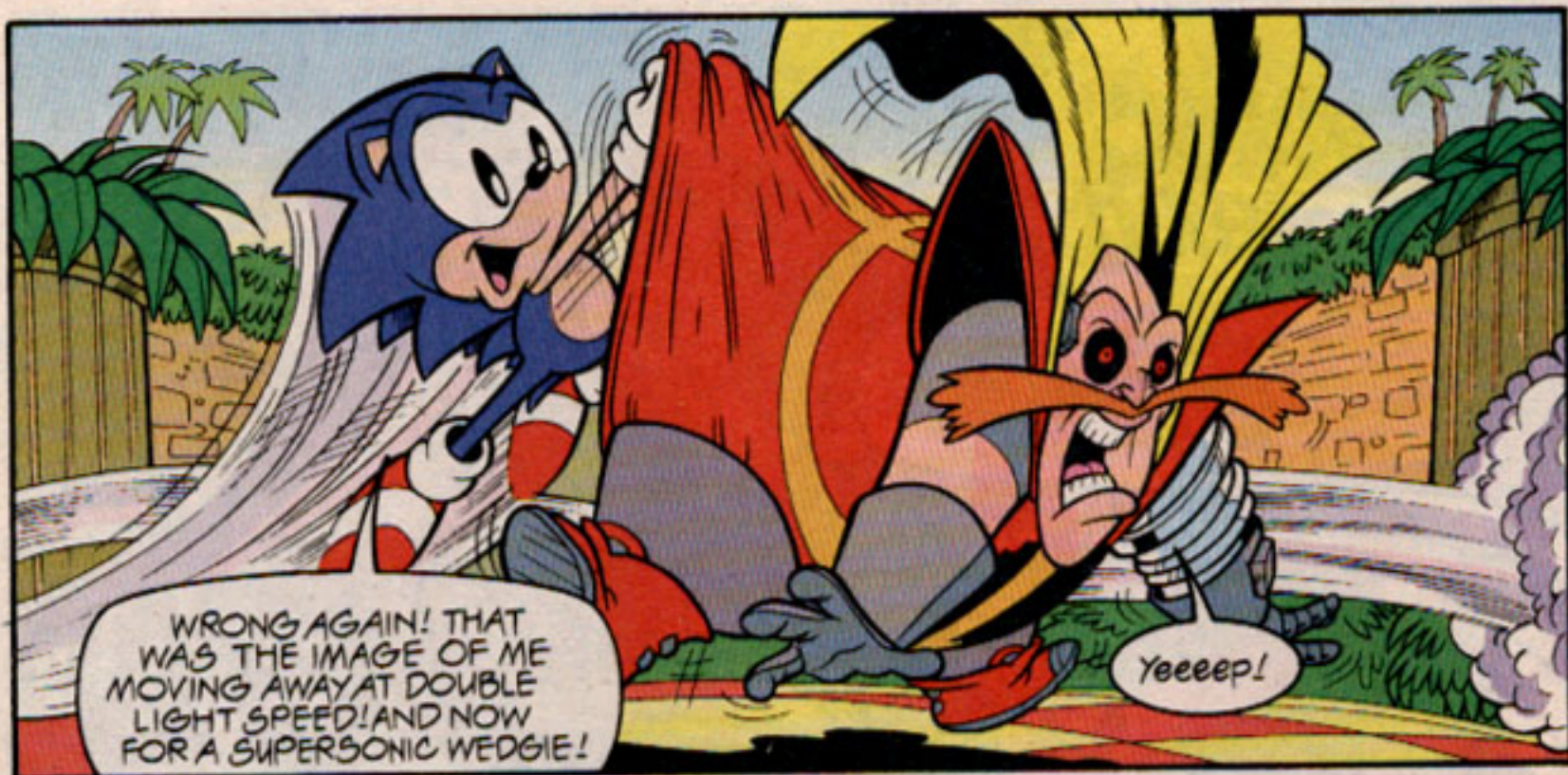
WHY DON'T WE JUST
CUT TO THE CHASE, TUBBO?
TURN YOURSELF IN AND
AVOID ANY UNNECESSARY
OILSHED!

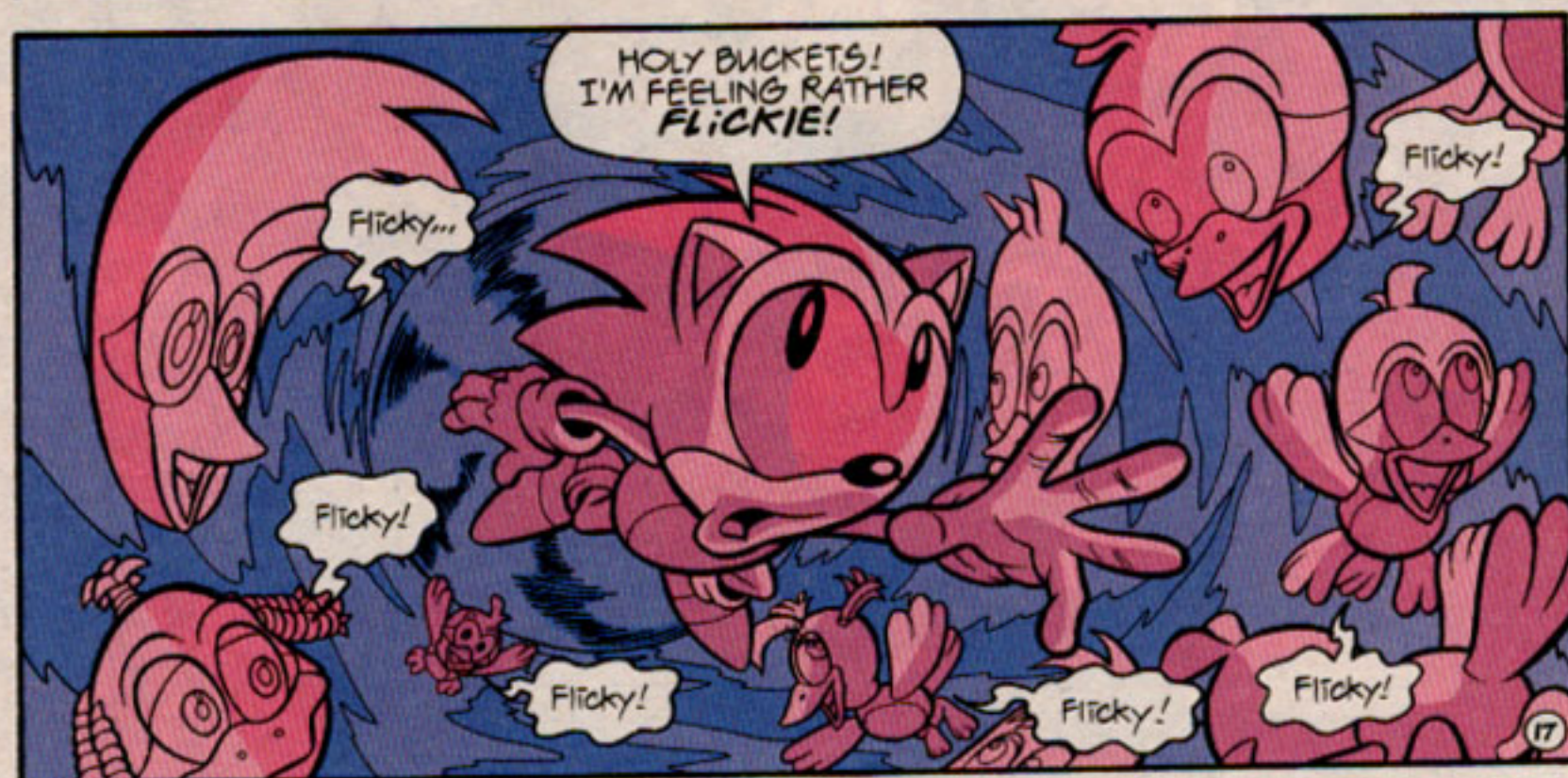
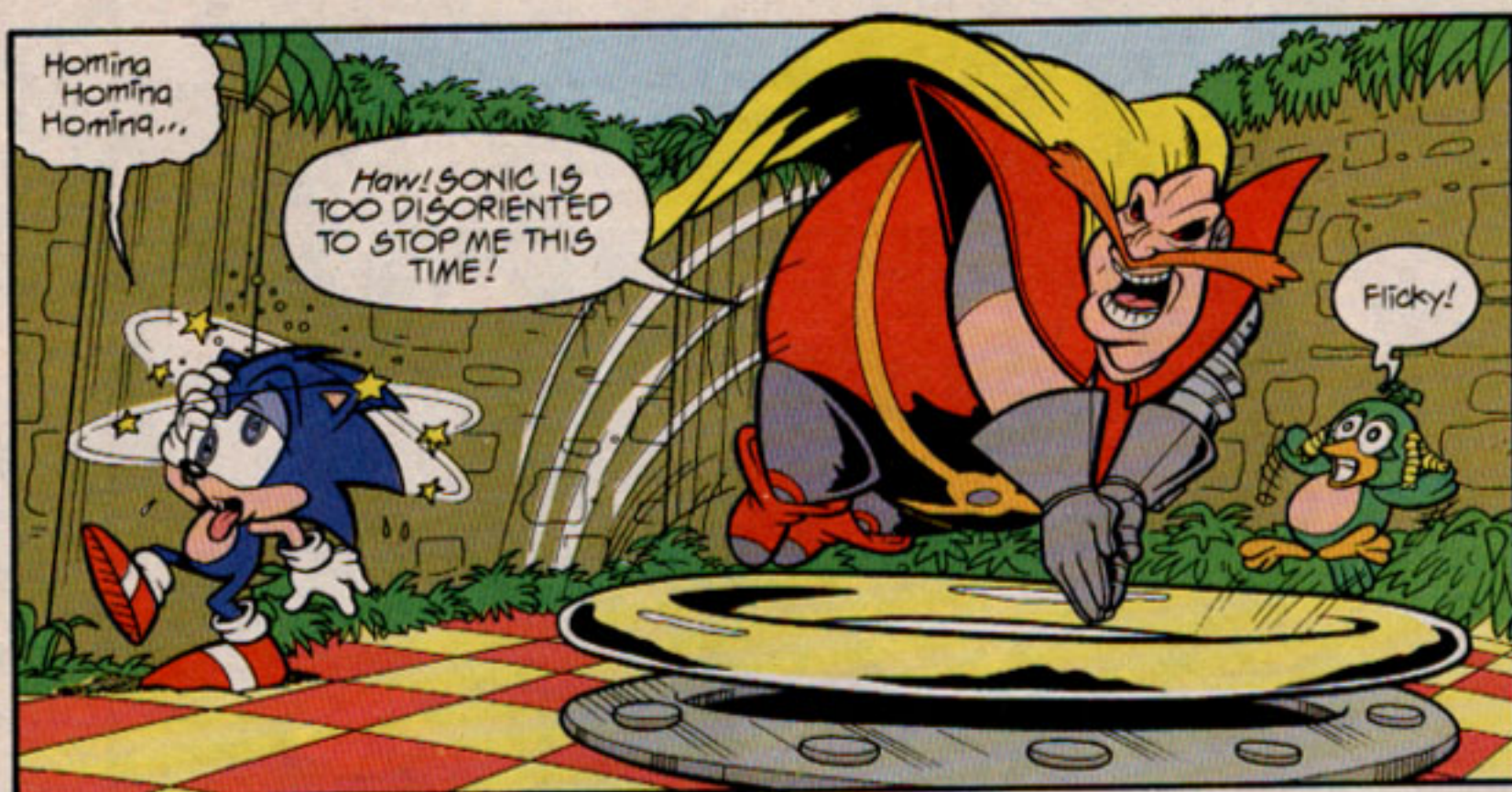
SHED THIS, HEDGEHOG!
MY GAUNTLET-MOUNTED
PARTICLE-BEAM!

GREAT BALLS
OF CHOLESTEROL~
IT VAPORIZED
HIM!

VRAPT

KTOW





HAW! SONIC WAS ILL-PREPARED FOR ME TO AMBUSH HIM IN MY NEW AND IMPROVED TECHNO BODYSHELL BATTLESUIT!

Flicky!

THAT'S A NASTY EXO-SKELETON HE'S GOT...

SPECIAL BONUS PIN-UP!
SONIC VS. ROBOTNIK
IN THE FLICKIE ZONE!*

OW!

Flicky!

...BETTER START JUICIN'!

...GAVE ME...

...ENOUGH EXTRA POWER TO CRACK THIS ROBOHUSK!

NOOO!

HANG A LOUIE...

ABANDON SHIP!

...THAT HIDDEN SPIN-WHEEL...

STAND BACK, BIRDS!

MISSED ME BY 5,280 FEET!

THE KIND OF HELP...

YEE-HAW!

Flicky!

ALL KIDDING ASIDE, I NEED HELP DEALING WITH OLD IRONSIDES!

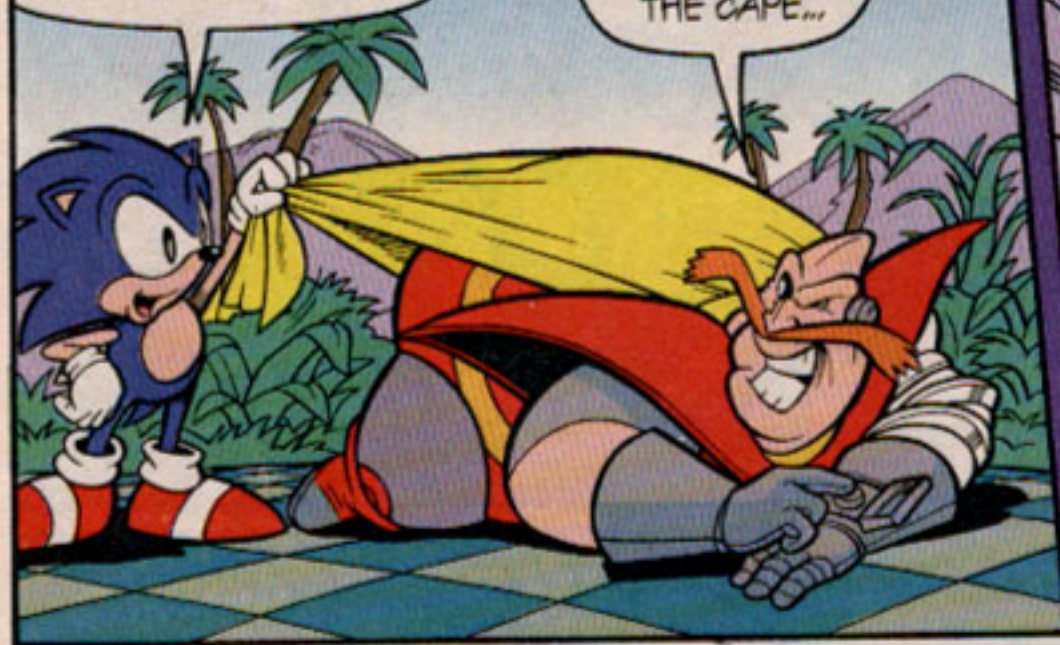
Oh, NO... Choke! IS THIS THE END OF RICO--Err... I MEAN ROBO?

Flicky!

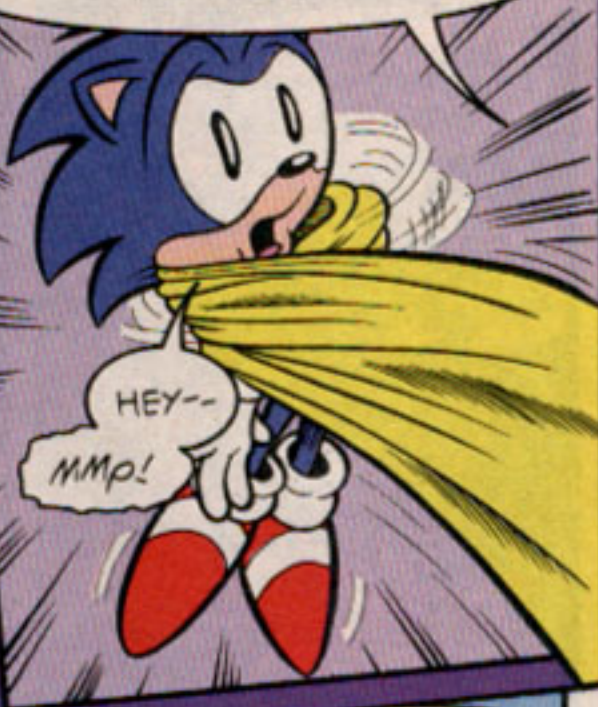
*WHICH YOU CAN PLAY ON YOUR SEGA GENESIS--Fred Guy

C'MON--GET UP! I FEEL LIKE HUMILIATING YOU FOR ANOTHER COUPLE OF PAGES!

HOW FORTUITOUS OF YOU TO GRAB ME BY THE CAPE...



...THE CAPE THAT I CONTROL BY ELECTRO-MAGNETICS WOVEN INTO THE FABRIC!



AND DON'T BOTHER TO STRUGGLE! MY CAPE IS MADE FROM THE STRONGEST FIBER IN THE WORLD-- **PLAIDMANTIUM!**



Urrgh! THE ROBO-RAT'S GOT ME THIS TIME! AND HE'S SPOTTED THE LOCATION OF THE CHAOS EMERALD!

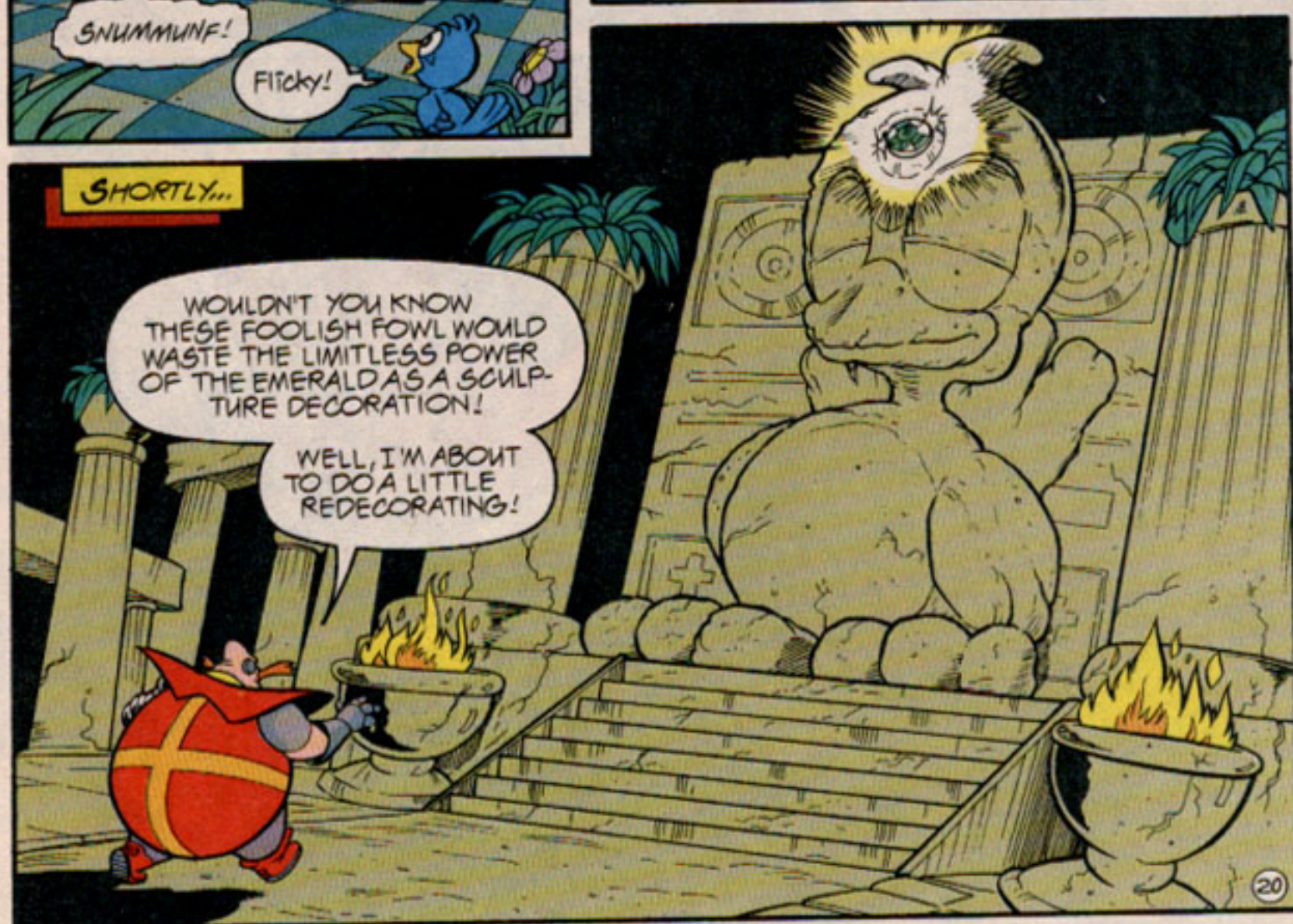
AMMM--AT LAST! A GREEN LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL!

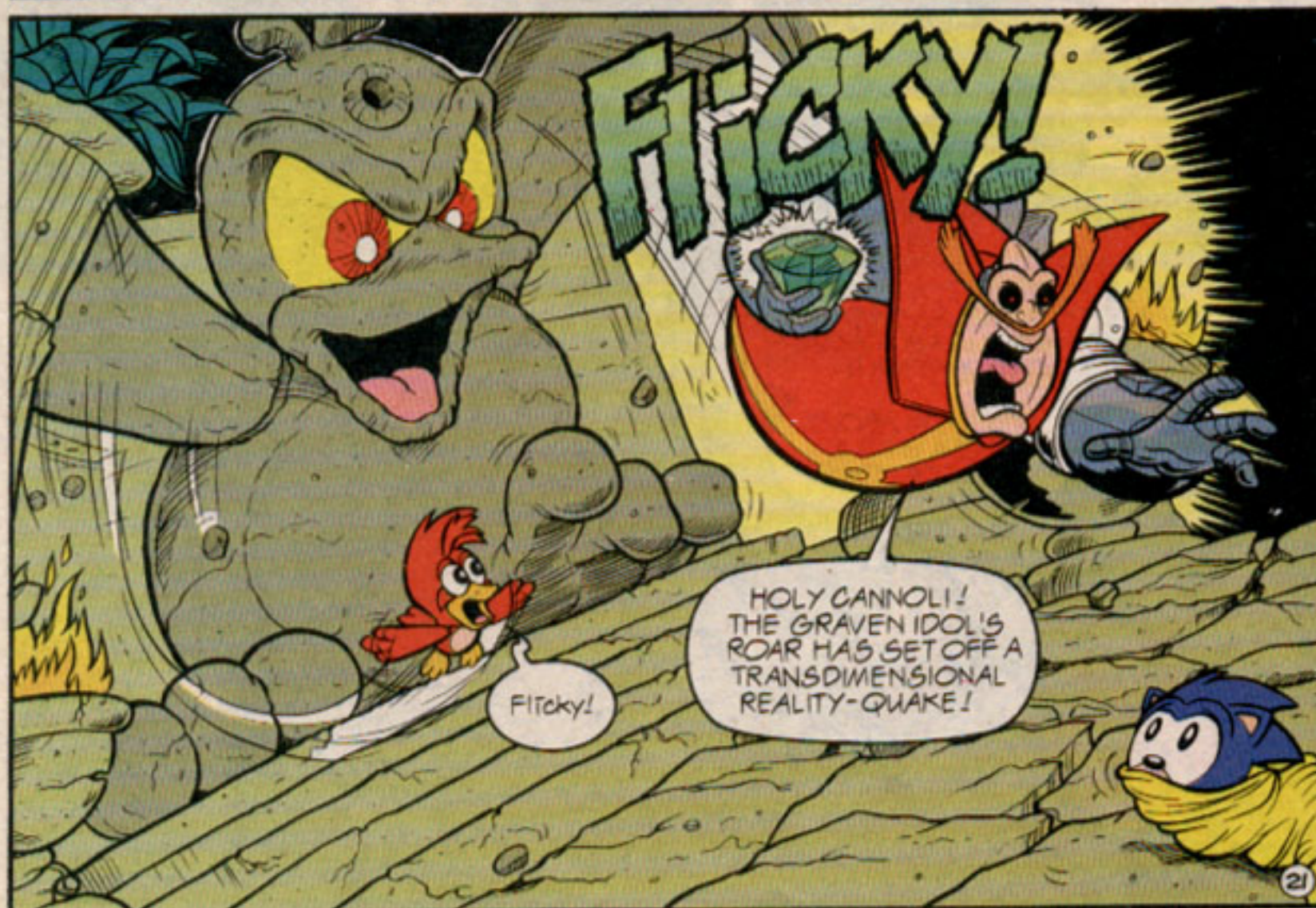


SHORTLY...

WOULDN'T YOU KNOW THESE FOOLISH FOWL WOULD WASTE THE LIMITLESS POWER OF THE EMERALD AS A SCULPTURE DECORATION!

WELL, I'M ABOUT TO DO A LITTLE REDECORATING!





YIPE! I RECOGNIZE THAT SENSATION! I FELT IT ONCE BEFORE WHEN SUPER SONIC AND HYPER-KNUCKLES DESTROYED THAT ZONE!*



*SONIC REFERS TO THE EVENTS IN SUPER SONIC VS. HYPER KNUCKLES SPECIAL-- JG

EGAD! THE FLICKIE ZONE IS COLLAPSING UPON ITSELF! EVEN THE MAGIC RING GATEWAY IS SHRINKING AS I SPEAK!



FICKY!

ROBO'S RIGHT! I'VE GOTTA GET OUTTA HERE! THIS SCENE'S GIVING ME BAD VIBES--



WAIT--THAT'S IT! IF I VIBRATE AT MAXIMUM SPEED THE ATOMS IN MY SPINES WILL PASS THROUGH THE PLAIDMANTIUM CAPE!

VRRRRMMMM

RIP



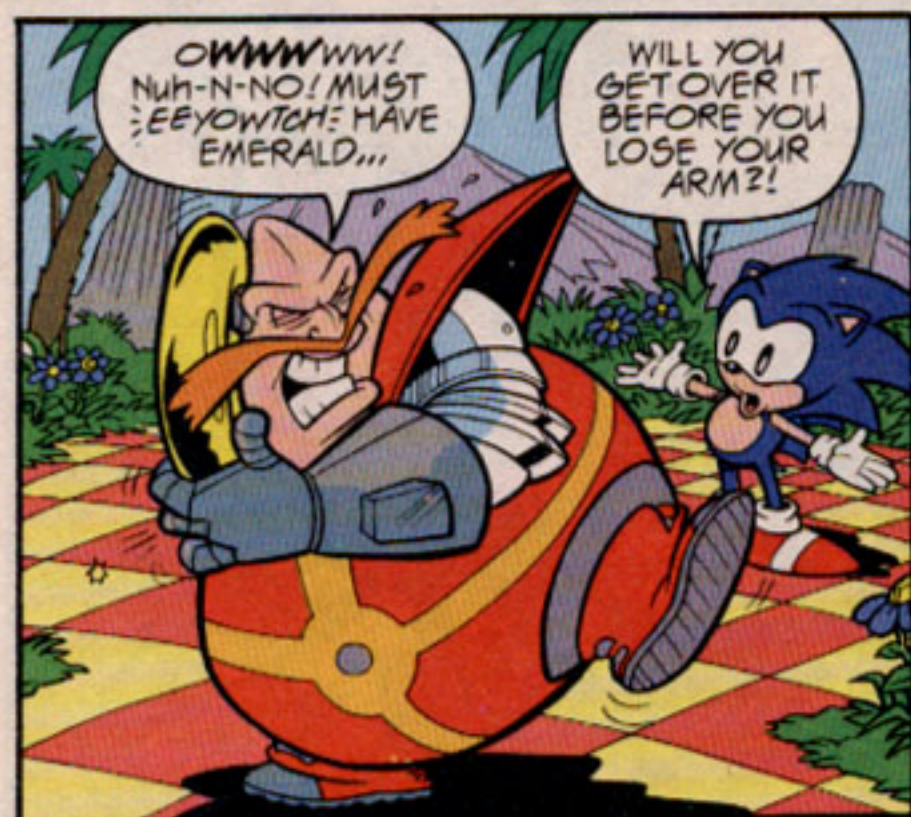
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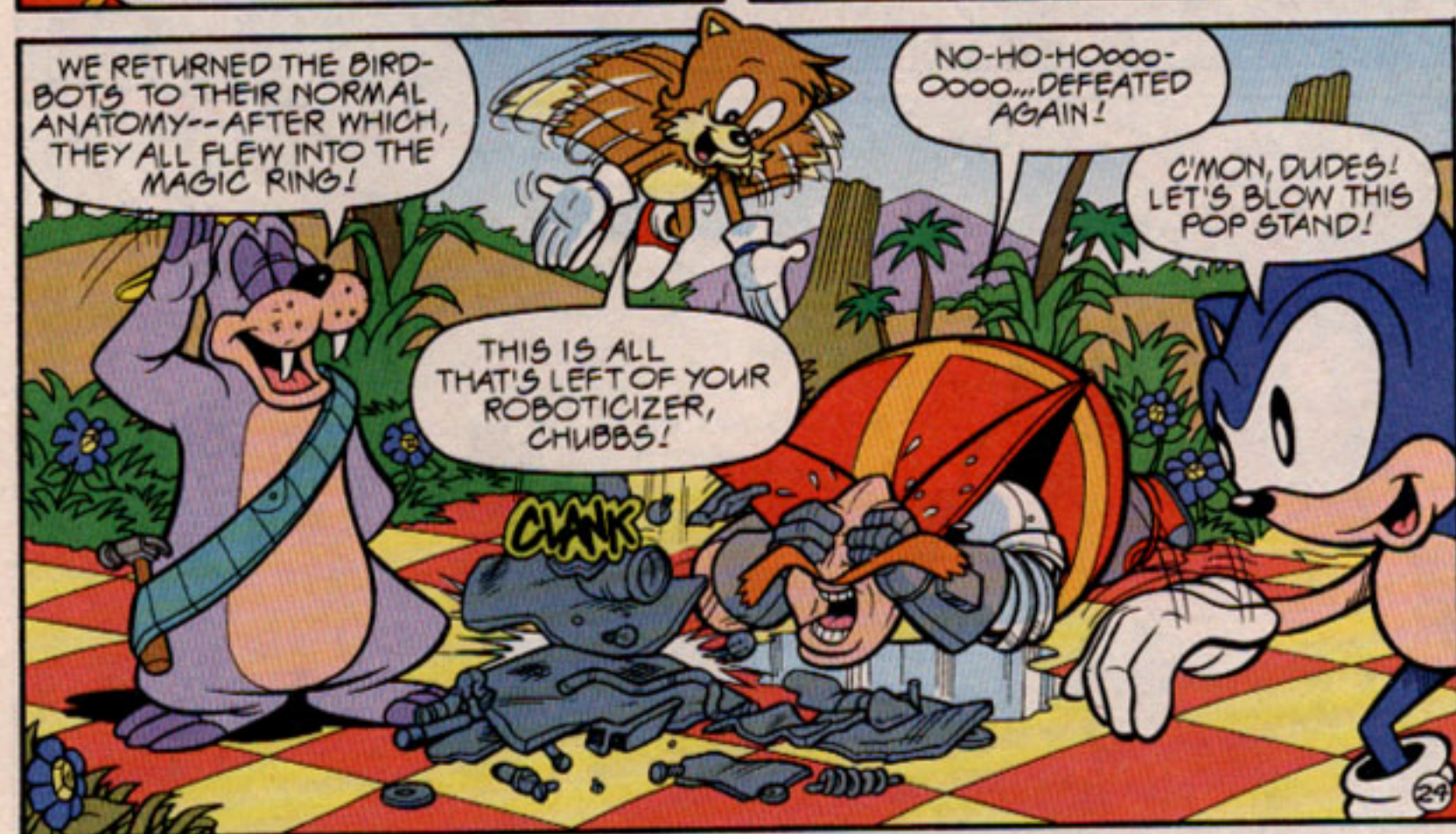
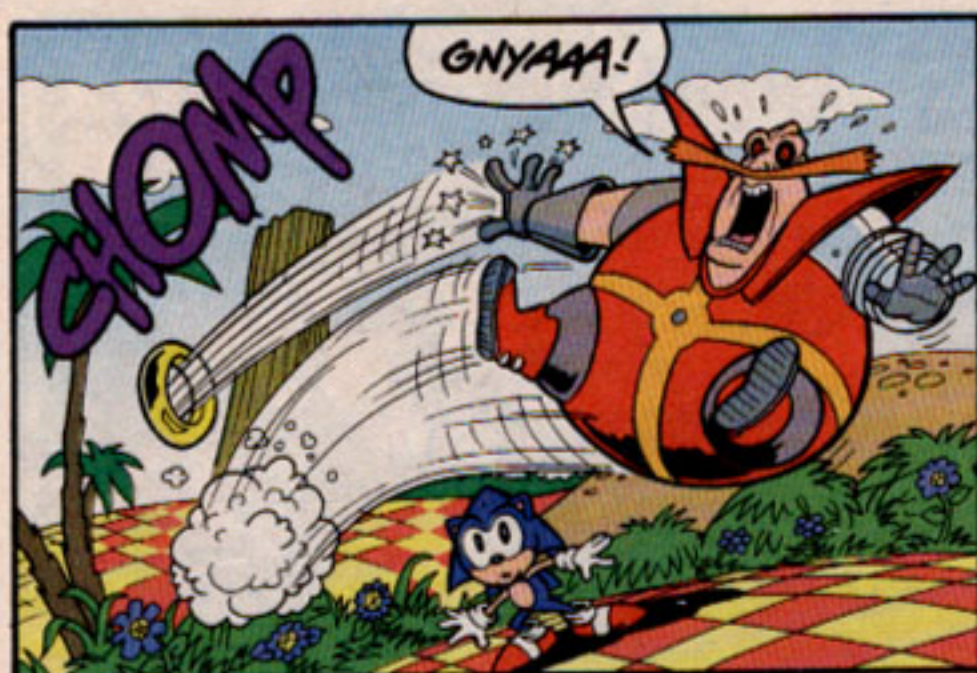
HOLD THE DOOR 10-W-40 BREATH!

WHAT THE-- SONIC? IMPOSSIBLE!

NO! STAY AWAY!!! DON'T--

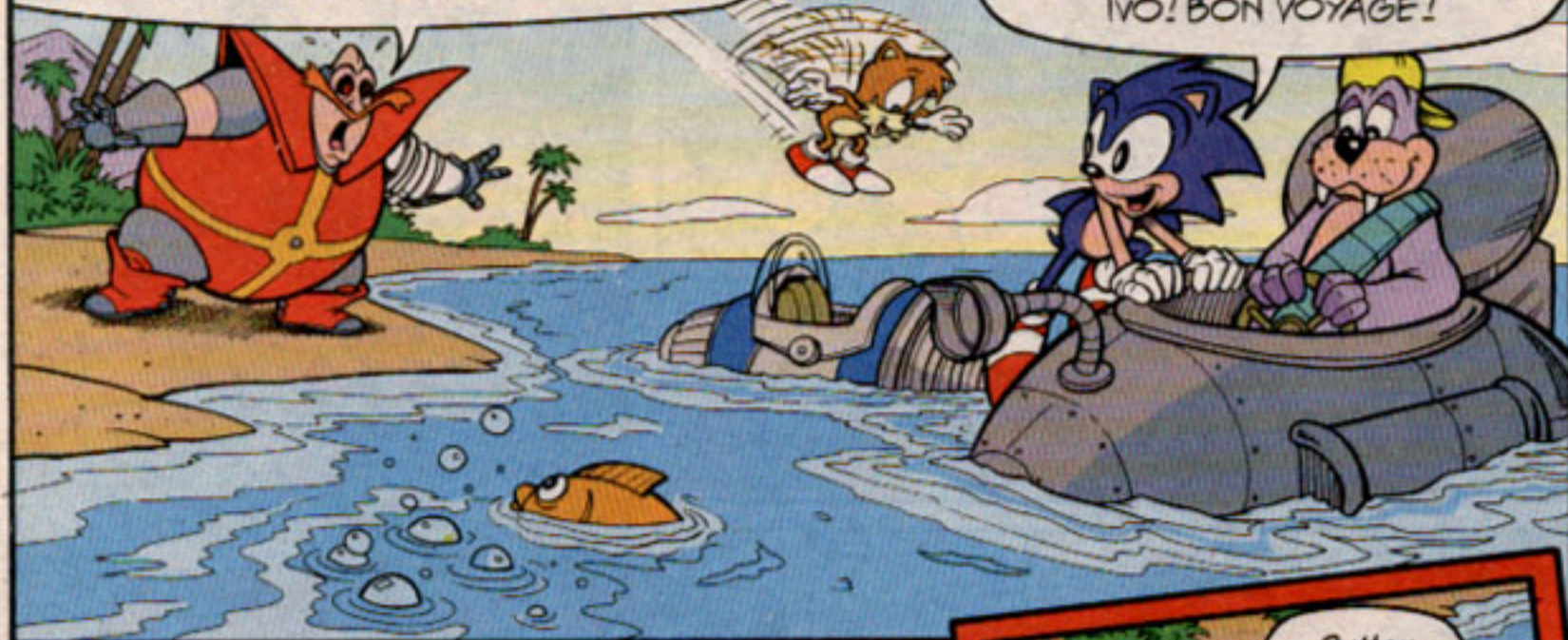






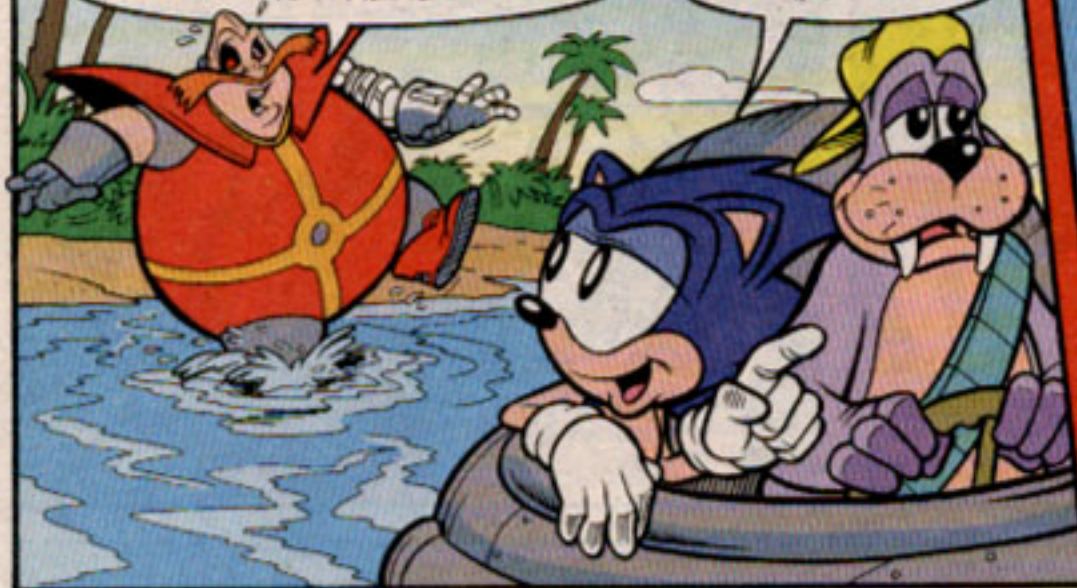
NOW HOLD ON! YOU DESTROYED MY EXOSKELETAL BATTLESUIT THAT FLEW ME HERE! HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO GET HOME?

YOU'RE NOT! FLICKIE ISLAND IS NOW YOUR PRISON FOR A FEW CONSECUTIVE LIFE TERMS, IVO! BON VOYAGE!



WAIT--COME BACK! DON'T MAROON ME ON THIS REMOTE ATOLL IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE!

CAREFUL--YOU'RE LEAVING AN OIL SLICK ON THE WATER!



Putter...
choke...
Gurgle...

GET
READY--
HERE IT
COMES!

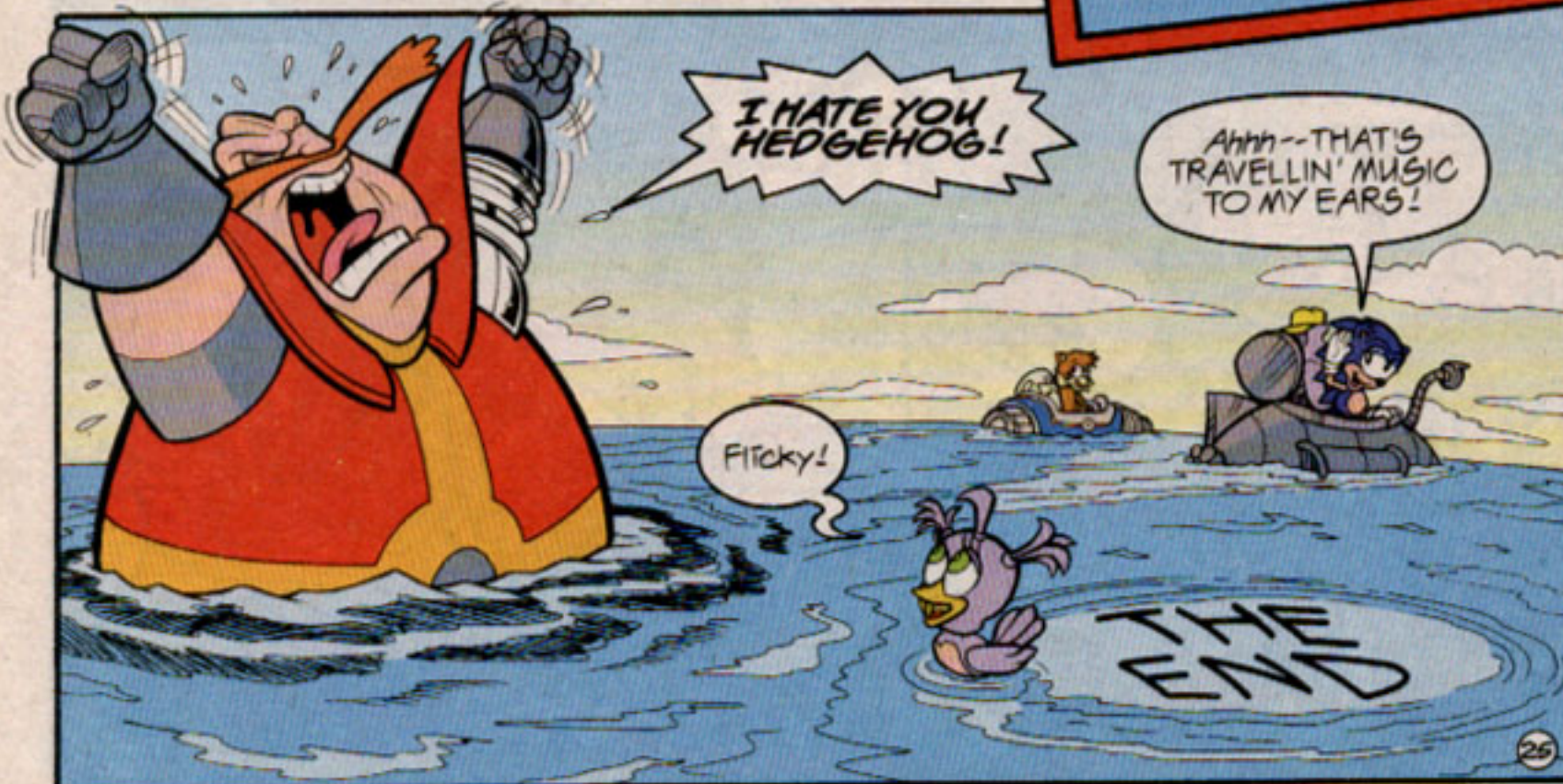


I HATE YOU
HEDGEHOG!

Ahhh--THAT'S
TRAVELLIN' MUSIC
TO MY EARS!

Flicky!

THE
END



SONIC BLAST™

What a Blast!



hope you enjoyed our adaptation to the new "SONIC 3-D BLAST" game. If you haven't played the game yet, you have to make an appointment to do so right away. The people at

SEGA of America were nice enough to allow little ol' me to try the game out (two months before it would invade stores all over) when we started on this issue. Honored as I was, I tried the game out as soon as got home, and was flabber-BLAST-ed to the Nth degree... as I'm sure you will be too. Remember-- "save those Flickie birds!" Its not just a slogan... It's a way of life. I'm also here to remind you to keep reading "SONIC-GRAMS" for the latest details on upcoming special and game adaptations also check out our special features including a four-page "Find Your Name In Print" listing over a thousand names or the three-page all-color "Fan Art" not printed in the regular series. ENJOY!

On another note, we've received tons of letters from **Knuckles** fans asking for another series! Well, starting in **late January 1997**, "**KNUCKLES: THE DARK LEGION**" a new three-issue mini-series makes its debut! Just what is the Dark Legion? And what does it have to do with Knuckles' past, present and future? Join Knuckles and his island buddies **The Chaotix** as they prepare for their greatest threat yet! More revelations will be made on the mysterious history of the Echidnas, including Knuckles' lineage as "**Guardian of the Floating Island!**" **Bonus:** All three covers combine to make one big image! Collect all three!

Also next month ...in **SONIC #45:** The return of everybody's favorite cave-bear **Mobie!** The **Freedom Fighters** find out **Dr. Robotnik's** plan to build a new installation in the middle of the Mobian Jungle. It is there that Mobie makes his home. But before they can warn him, the FF are ambushed by... Guerrillas or Gorillas? What do they have to do with this story? Pick up the book and find out! Also **KnucklesQuest** continues... as he gets one step closer to the **Sword of Acorn**, the sorcerer and the enchantress (from the **Ancient Walkers'** cryptic message) attack! **On sale January 1997!**



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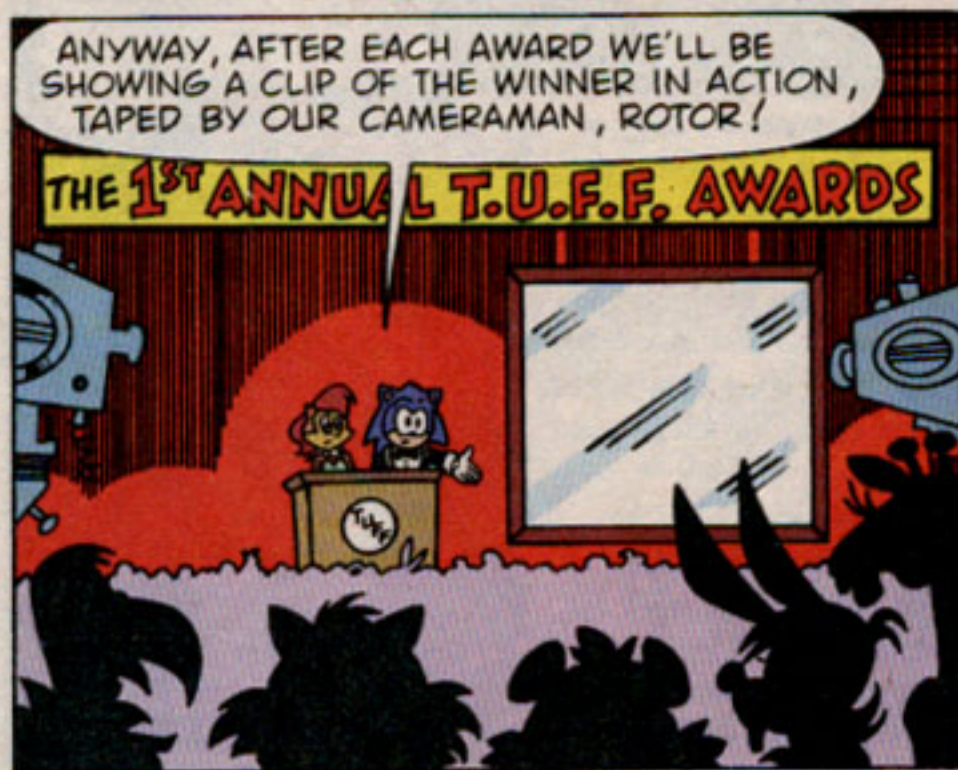
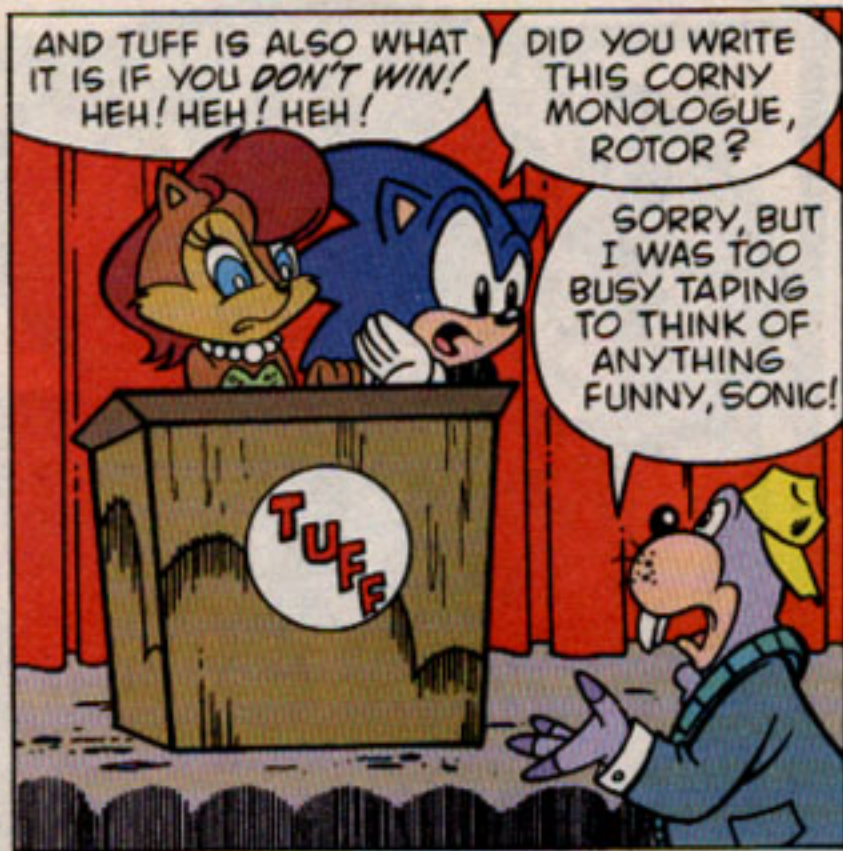
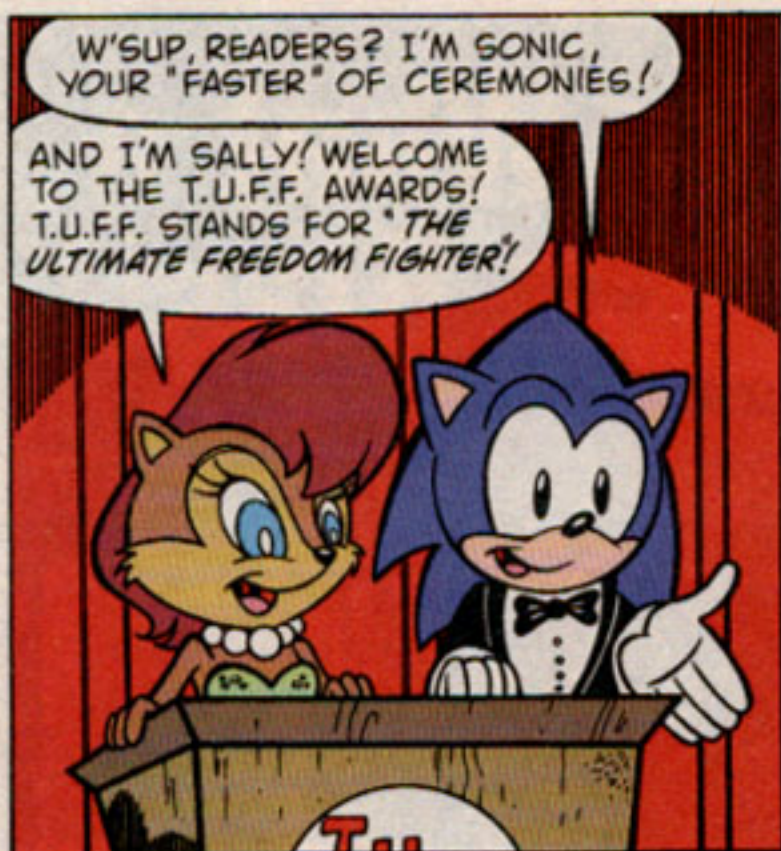
...And prepare for yourself for "**ENDGAME**," the four-part story that will lead into Sonic's **50th anniversary** issue! Whatever you do, **don't miss it!**

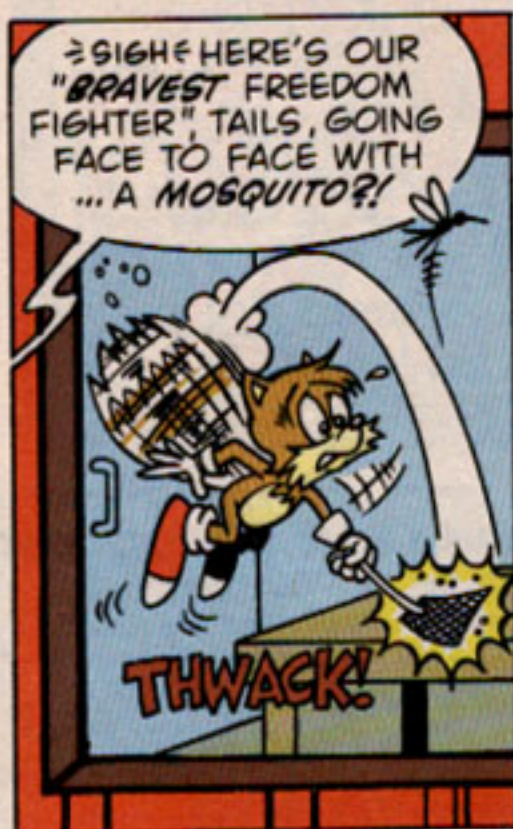
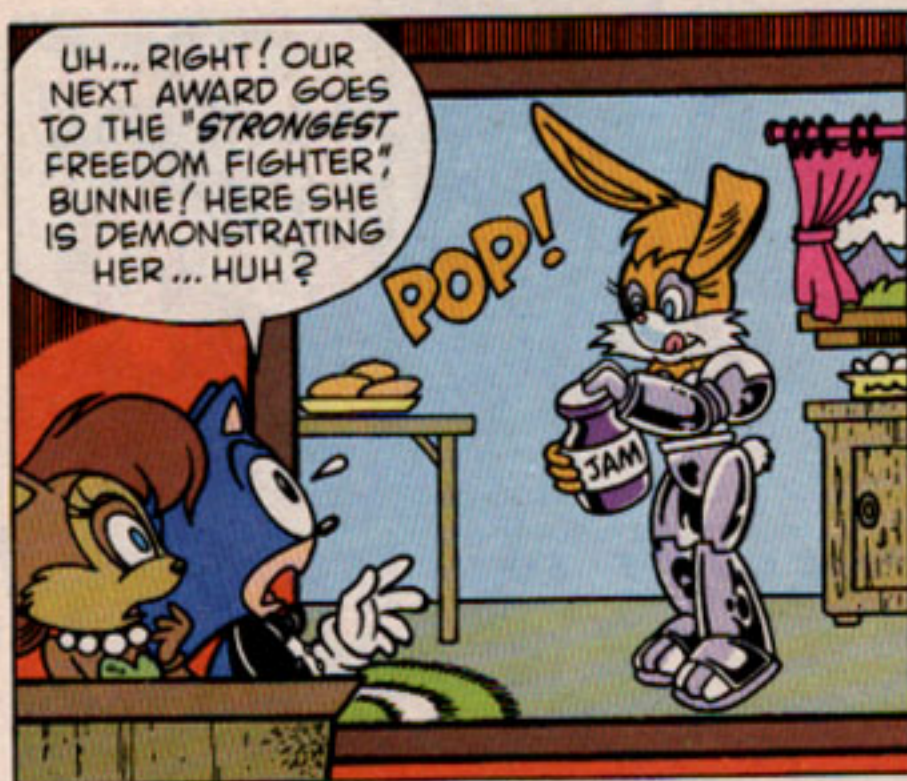


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THE "FIND YOUR NAME IN PRINT PAGE"

ATTABO
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GREEN



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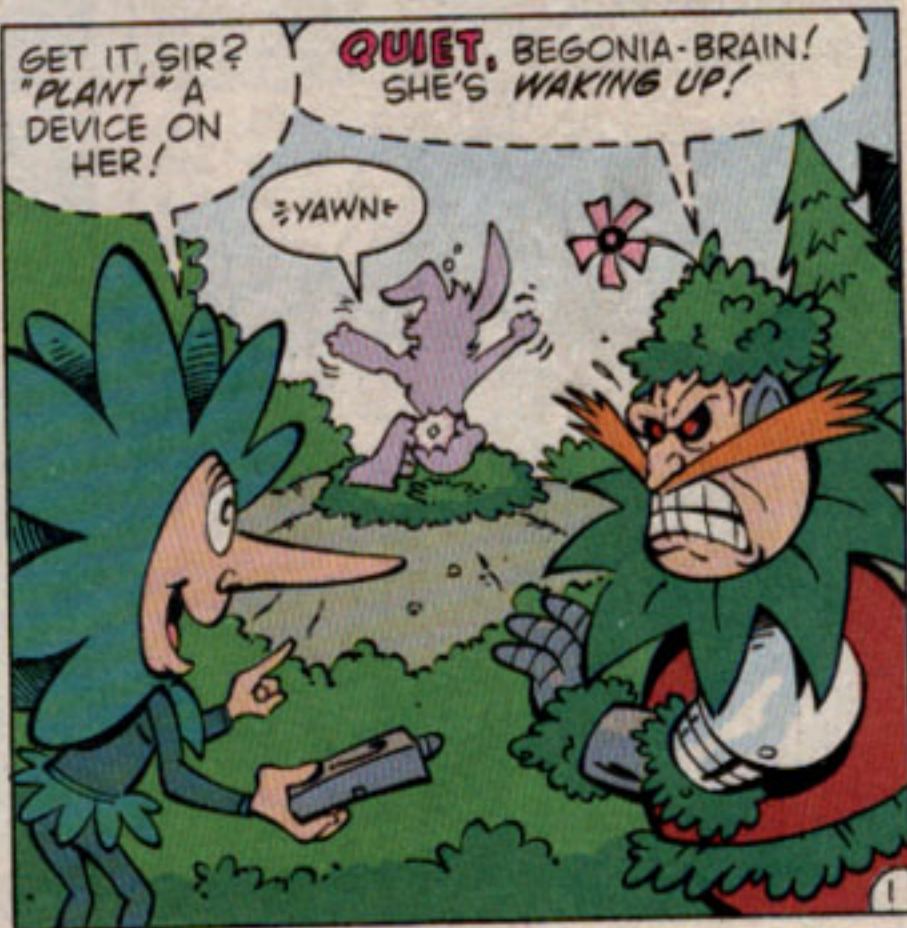
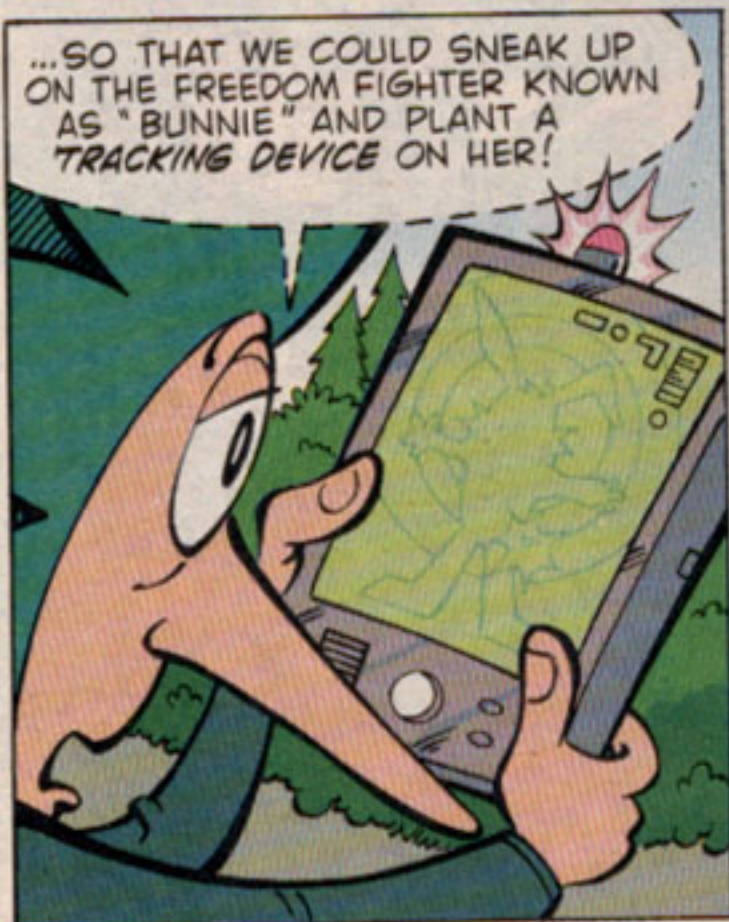


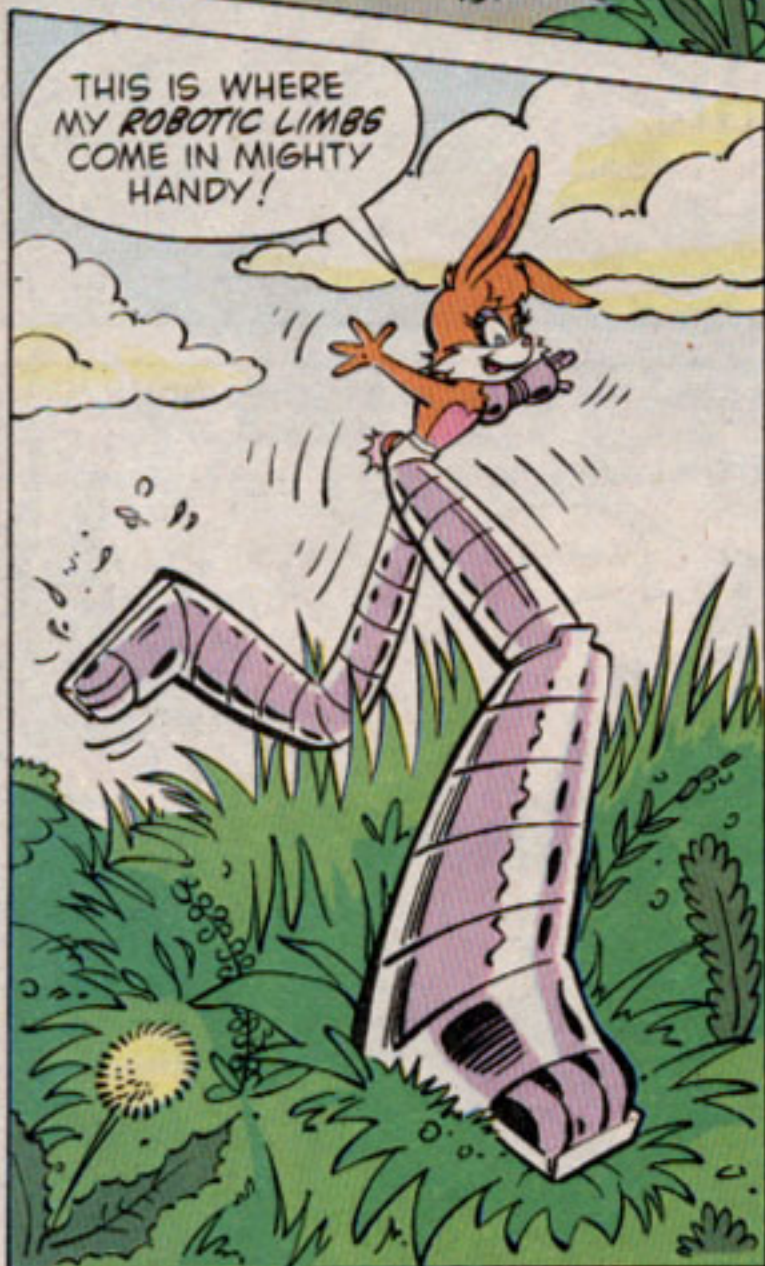
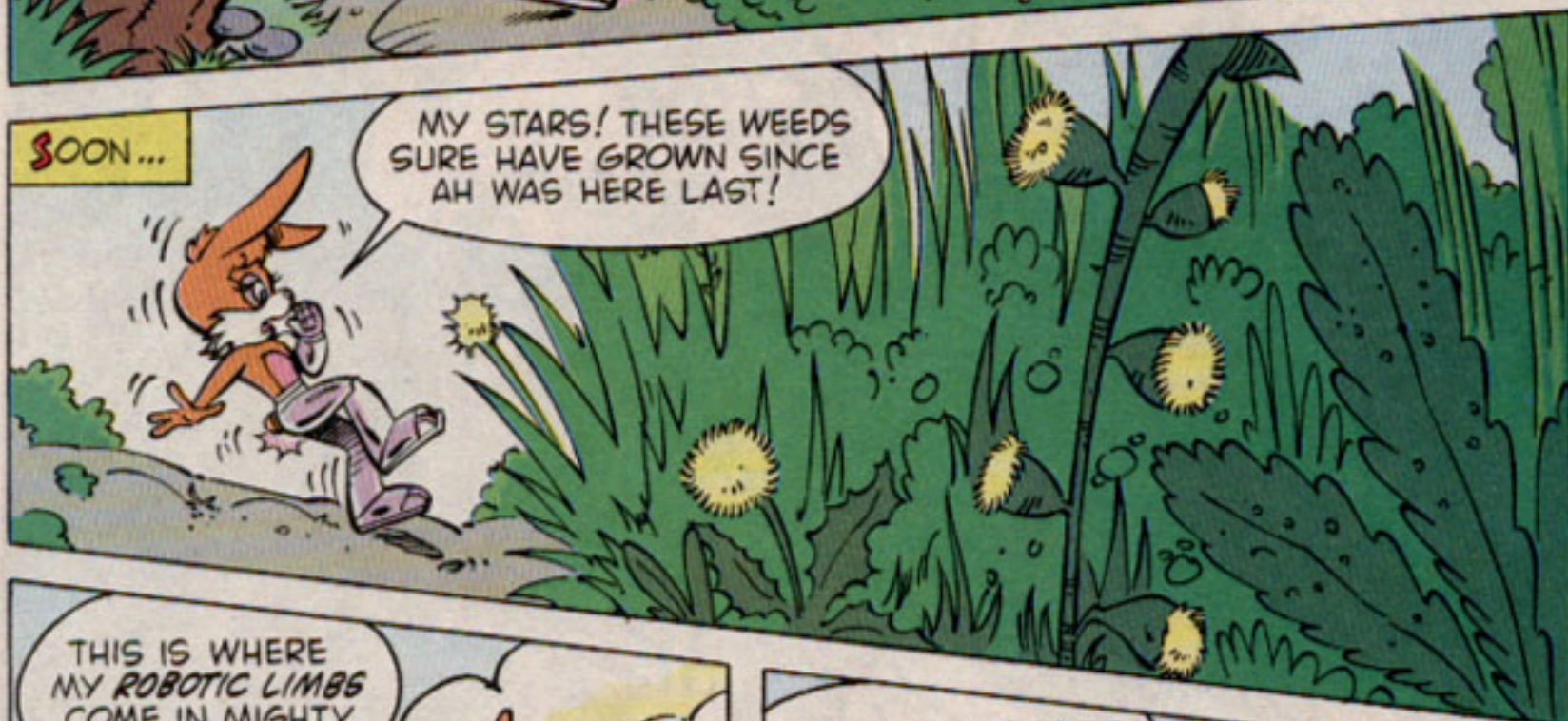
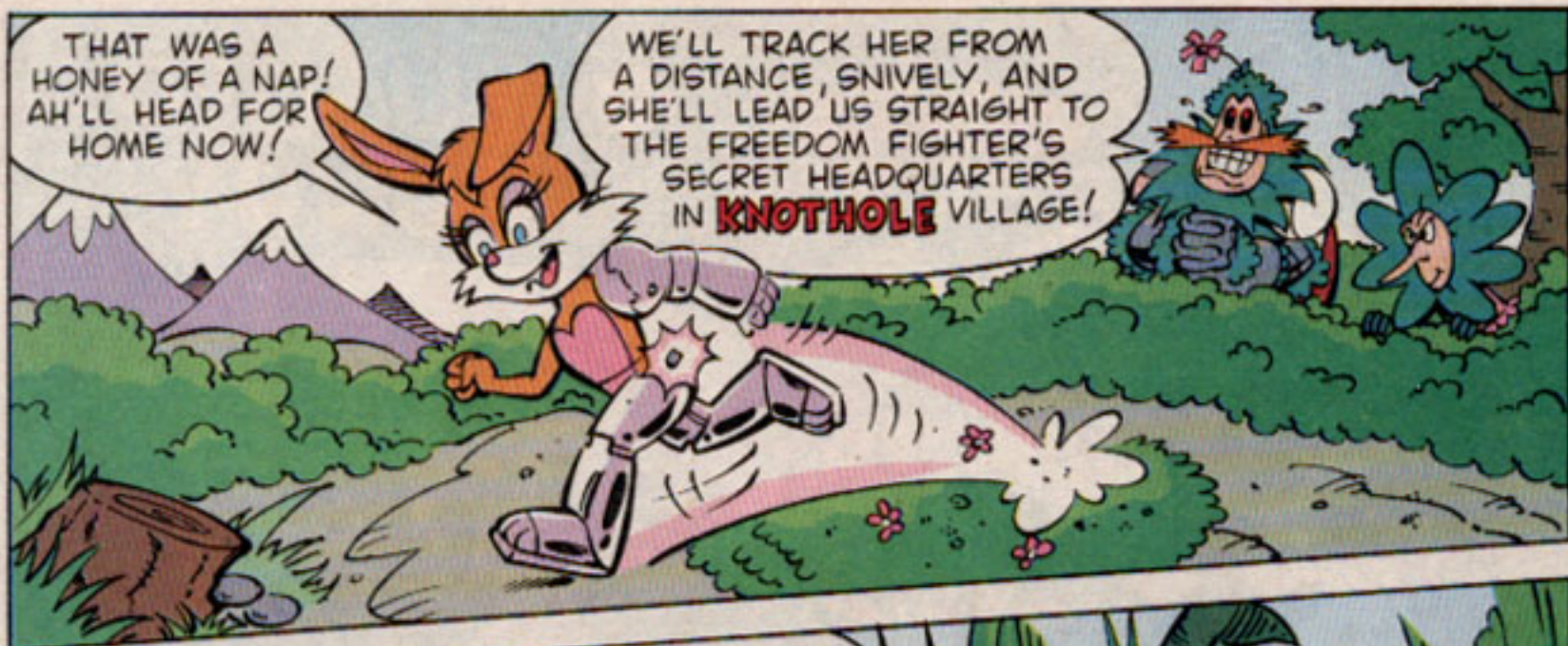
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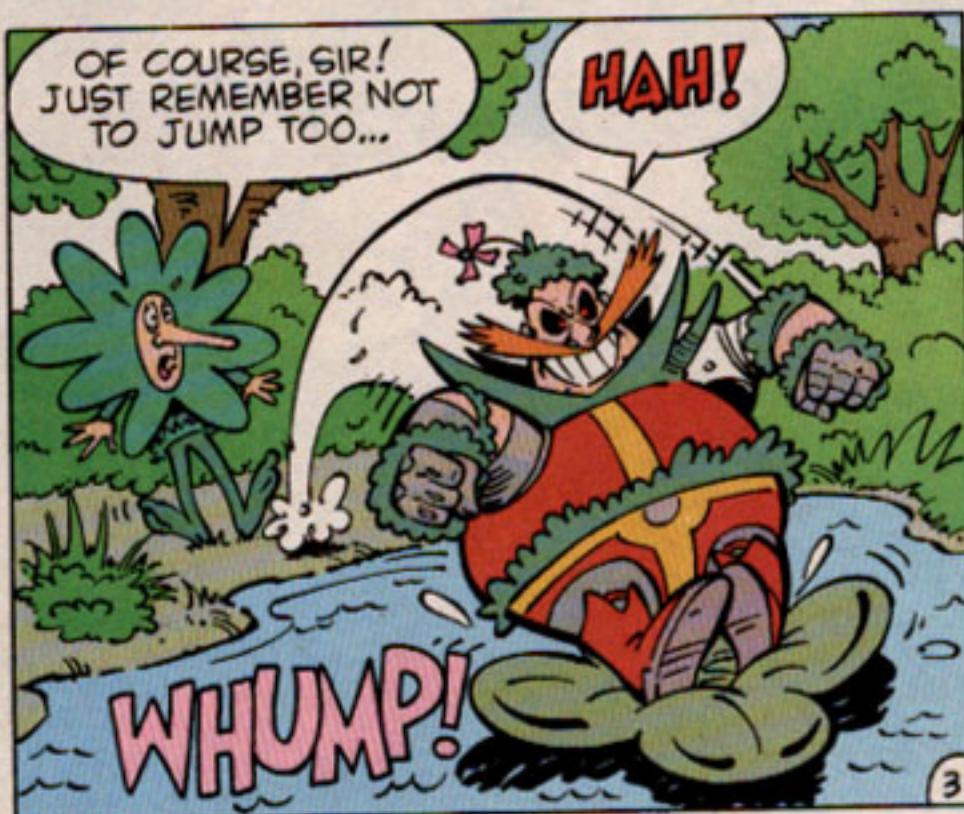
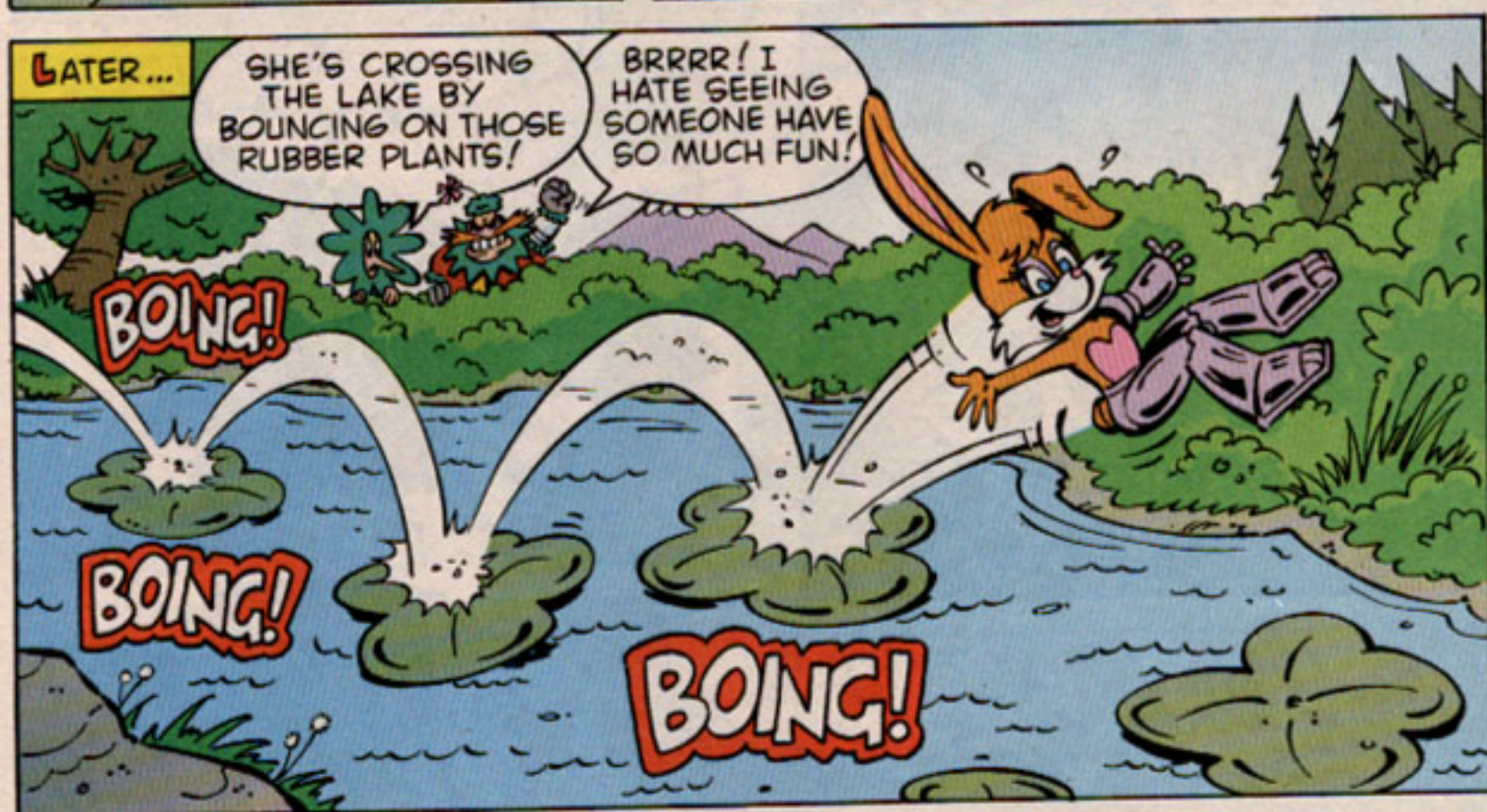
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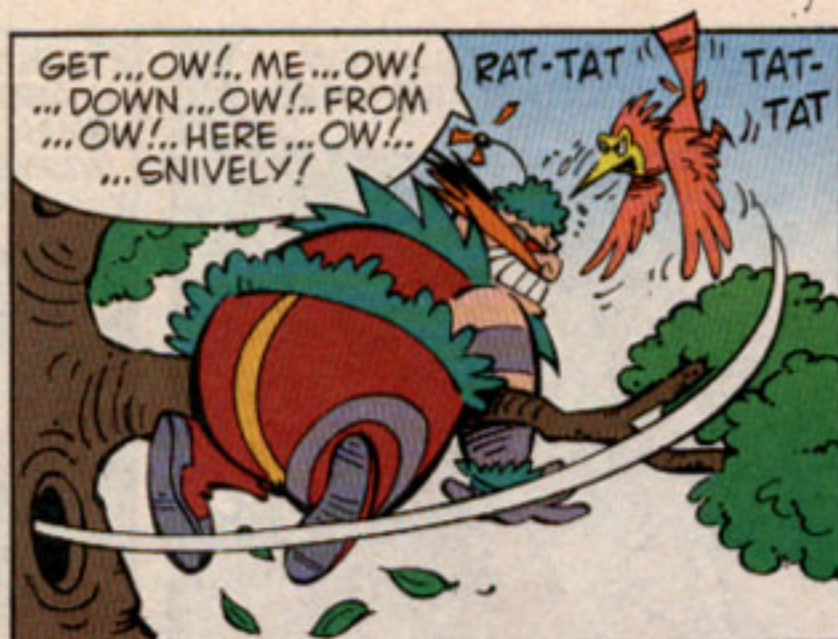
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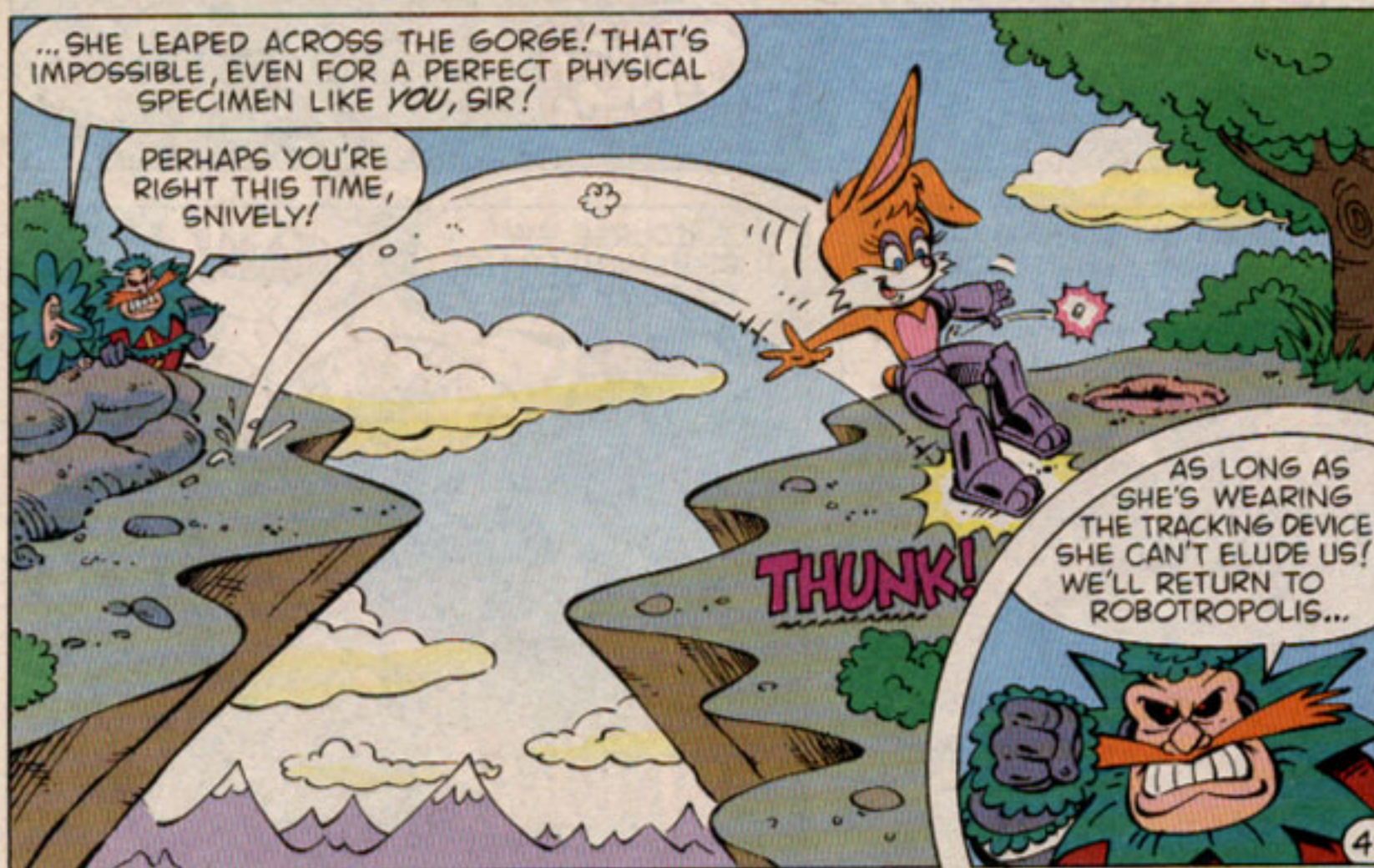


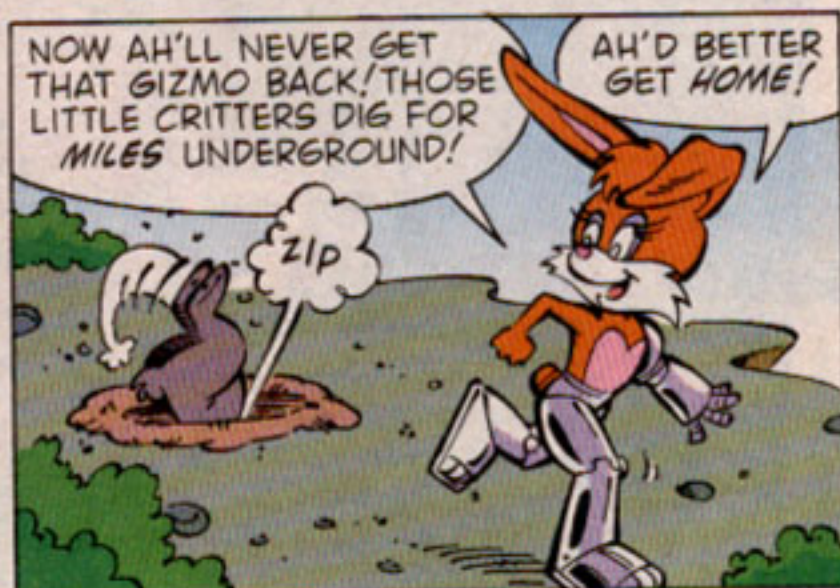






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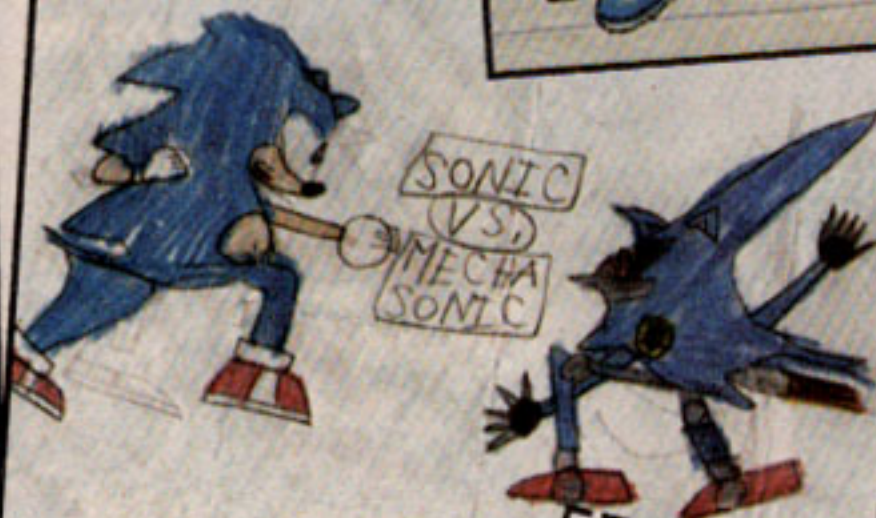
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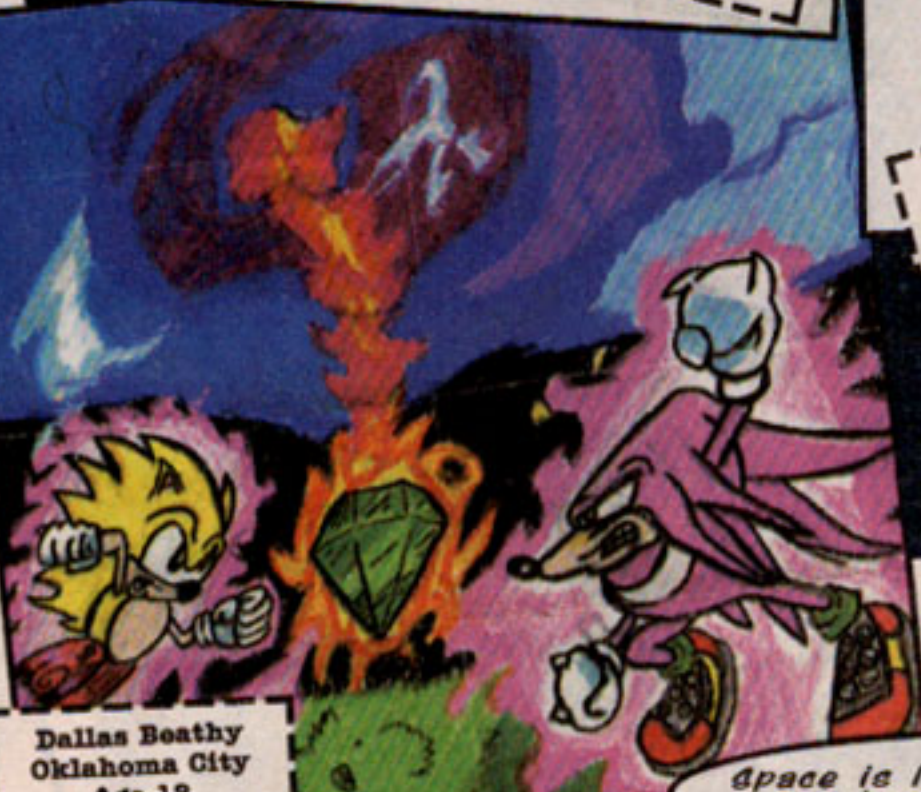
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